

September 16, 2021

The monthly meeting of the Tyre Town Board was held Thursday, September 16, 2021 at 6:30 p.m. in the Tyre Municipal Building, 1082 Gravel Road, Seneca Falls, NY 13148, in the Town of Tyre.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Supervisor Ronald McGreevy – here; Councilman Reginald Aceto – here; Councilman James Rogers – here; Councilman Kenneth Sutterby – here; Councilman Thomas Thomson – here

Others Present: Administrative Assistant Karen Birch; Bookkeeper Michael Gross; DCO Dallyn Jenkins; William Reese; Marge Fahrenholz; Char Verkey; Patsy Amidon; Pat Mahoney; Dennis Stone; Beth Partee; Melissa Sutterby; Rich Amidon

Supervisor McGreevy – have had roll call – quorum present – meeting called to order at 6:30 p.m.

Introduction of Attorneys representing the Town of Tyre this evening:

Mr. Charles Shaffer, Attorney

Minutes: Approval of Minutes of August 19, 2021 and September 2, 2021 – Councilman Aceto moved, seconded by Councilman Rogers, to dispense with reading the minutes of the August 19, 2021 and September 2, 2021 meetings and they be accepted as written.

VOTE: Yea – 5; No – 0; Abstain – 0; Absent – 0

Scheduled Speakers: None

Department Reports:

Town Clerk: Nothing to report this evening

Highway Department: Highway Superintendent Eddington reports that the chip sealing has been completed within the Town. The department is working on getting everything mowed back as far as they can on all roads within the Town and that he has received nine compliments and one complaint. They have had a few breakdowns with the brush hog but it has been repaired and it continues to run and operate. He reported that the 2012 dump truck

needed new brakes and that this has been repaired as well. He reported that one of their vehicles will not pass inspection next year. Supervisor McGreevy thanked the Highway Department for all of their hard work.

Town Assessor: Assessor Griswold stated that he administers the solar and wind exemptions within the Town. He said there are currently five exemptions in place in the Town. If a landowner puts in wind/solar they can apply this year for exemptions for county, town, and school taxes. The exemption is based on the value of real property. At this time county and schools have opted out of this exemption within the Town. The Town of Tyre can choose to opt out of this exemption as well. If the Town opts out they can legally opt back in at a later date. Councilman Thomson asked for further clarification on the exemptions and if it is also for solar farms. Assessor Griswold stated that the exemption is for both solar farms and residential homes. Supervisor McGreevy stated that the solar farms have reportedly been participating in PILOTS with the Towns they are building in.

Attorney: Nothing to report this evening

Fire Department: Supervisor McGreevy stated that Chief Tavano could not be in attendance at this evening's meeting.

Zoning Enforcement Officer: ZEO Reynolds reported the following permits were issued for July and August, 2021:

Raimond Wanner – Garage
James Carpenter Jr – Deck
Christopher Filoso – Shed
Samuel Graber – Addition to existing house
Dean High – Addition to existing barn

ZEO Reynolds reports that he has been reviewing the Wilkins RV project. There are some loose ends in regards to the sewer for the proposed project. There are several parties involved with the sewer – Seneca County, Brian Wilkins, Mike Virts, and del Lago. The Town has no role at this time regarding the sewer. The only time that he can see the Town coming into play with the sewer is when a sewer district is needed to be established.

A subdivision application has come in for the Strong Farm property owned by Joe Dendis.

The Love's project is coming along. There are some concerns over the placement of the traffic signal. DOT wants the position of the poles for the traffic signal to be several feet onto Petro's property. There were some other things that had to be adjusted to keep the project moving forward.

The property at 317 Route 89 has been approved for an area variance. This property had a two story home and several outbuildings on it that were in poor shape. All buildings except for one was torn down. The new owner's daughter is looking to put a double wide on the property.

There was one complaint received regarding property maintenance concerns at 1827 Worden Road. The Town does not have a property maintenance law, however, ZEO Reynolds did relay the concerns to the property owner.

Bruce Smith is still working on plans for a wedding barn for East Road.

ZEO Reynolds reached out to Brian from CHA Engineering to check on the status of Dunkin' Donuts. Brian stated that he would reach back out on a more concrete start date.

Planning/Website/Training: A report as provided by Chairman Seem The monthly meeting of the Planning Board was held on August 24, 2021. The Planning Board reviewed and recommends that the Town agrees to the proposed changes to the memorandum of understanding to streamline the processing of GML-239 submissions to the Seneca County Planning Board from towns. The GML-239 process requires review by the County Planning Board for zoning applications that are close to county lines or state/county roads or are within an approved agriculture district. The newly revised MOU includes a waiver that states it is no longer necessary to submit to the County for a GML-239 review for the following conditions:

Minor Subdivision where the individual lots to be created meet all size requirements of the municipality and are not adjacent or are separated by municipal roads;

Special permits or area variances for signs located more than 500 feet from a state or county road or facility;

Site plan review of single family residential uses

The Planning Board reconsidered the practice of providing a recommendation to the ZBA regarding actions that come before the ZBA. This has been the practice in the past, largely due to lack of staff support for the ZBA. It is not a common practice in other municipalities. With technical support provided to the ZBA by Mr. Young and Mr. Simon, we decided it was time for the Planning Board to step back and stop the practice of providing recommendations.

The Planning Board made a decision to revert to remote meetings until the resurgence of the COVID-19 virus diminishes to a safer level.

Dog Control Officer: DCO Jenkins reported that this has been a busy month so far. The shelter is absolutely full with over 30 dogs and over 300 cats. She reports that there is a problem with the vets being so far behind in their appointments and they are having a hard time getting caught up. The shelter is working hard to get all of their animals fixed.

Bookkeeping: Bookkeeper Gross submitted handouts for abstract of audited vouchers #8. He reported that he has no financial statements completed for tonight and will complete them next week and upload them to one drive for review. Bookkeeper Gross reported that the Tentative Budget for 2022 has been completed. Supervisor McGreevy stated that there is plenty of time between now and the 10/7/21 Budget Workshop to make changes to the Budget.

Band Hall Committee: Marge Fahrenholz addressed the Town Board by giving a history of the Tyre Town Band Hall. She provided information for the Town Board members to review. She reported that the Band Hall Committee has been working on this project since 2012 and that next month the Board will be addressing the final outstanding issues so that the Committee can open the Band Hall to the residents of Tyre.

Building Committee: Councilman Aceto stated that he is continuing to work on the water situation at the Band Hall and Highway Department. He reported that he found the original RFP for the Town Hall and sent it to Councilman Sutterby for review and for further discussion. He received numbers back from Whitehead on delivery amounts and costs. Councilman Aceto will keep everyone updated.

Highway Committee: Councilman Sutterby thanked the Highway Department for all of their hard work.

Old Business: None

New Business:

Resolution regarding Appointing Richard Amidon to the Tyre BAR (Board of Assessment Review)

The adoption of the foregoing Resolution was moved by Councilman Aceto, and seconded by Councilman Sutterby, and duly put to a vote, which resulted as follows:

	YEA	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Councilman Sutterby	X			
Councilman Rogers	X			
Councilman Thomson	X			
Councilman Aceto	X			
Supervisor McGreevy	X			

Resolution duly adopted. Resolution follows.

Resolution regarding To Accept the Town of Tyre 2022 Tentative Budget as Presented

The adoption of the foregoing Resolution was moved by Councilman Rogers, and seconded by Councilman Sutterby, and duly put to a vote, which resulted as follows:

	YEA	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Councilman Thomson	X			
Councilman Rogers	X			
Councilman Sutterby	X			
Councilman Aceto	X			
Supervisor McGreevy	X			

Resolution duly adopted. Resolution follows.

Resolution regarding To Accept the Town of Tyre Water District No. 1 2022 Tentative Budget as Presented

The adoption of the foregoing Resolution was moved by Councilman Sutterby, and seconded by Councilman Thomson, and duly put to a vote, which resulted as follows:

	YEA	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Councilman Thomson	X			
Councilman Rogers	X			
Councilman Sutterby	X			
Councilman Aceto	X			
Supervisor McGreevy	X			

Resolution duly adopted. Resolution follows.

Resolution regarding To Accept the Town of Tyre Water District No. 2 2022 Tentative Budget as Presented

The adoption of the foregoing Resolution was moved by Councilman Thomson, and seconded by Councilman Rogers, and duly put to a vote, which resulted as follows:

	YEA	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Councilman Thomson	X			
Councilman Rogers	X			
Councilman Sutterby	X			
Councilman Aceto	X			
Supervisor McGreevy	X			

Resolution duly adopted. Resolution follows.

Resolution regarding To Accept the Town of Tyre Fire Protection District 2022 Tentative Budget as Presented

The adoption of the foregoing Resolution was moved by Councilman Sutterby, and seconded by Councilman Thomson, and duly put to a vote, which resulted as follows:

	YEA	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Councilman Thomson	X			
Councilman Rogers	X			
Councilman Sutterby	X			
Councilman Aceto	X			
Supervisor McGreevy	X			

Resolution duly adopted. Resolution follows.

Resolution To Adopt the Town of Tyre 2022 Tentative Budget as the Town of Tyre 2022 Preliminary Budget

The adoption of the foregoing Resolution was moved by Councilman Rogers, and seconded by Councilman Sutterby, and duly put to a vote, which resulted as follows:

	YEA	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Councilman Thomson	X			
Councilman Rogers	X			
Councilman Sutterby	X			
Councilman Aceto	X			
Supervisor McGreevy	X			

Resolution duly adopted. Resolution follows.

Resolution To Adopt the Town of Tyre Water District No. 1 2022 Tentative Budget as the Town of Tyre Water District No. 1 2022 Preliminary Budget

The adoption of the foregoing Resolution was moved by Councilman Aceto, and seconded by Councilman Rogers, and duly put to a vote, which resulted as follows:

	YEA	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Councilman Thomson	X			
Councilman Rogers	X			
Councilman Sutterby	X			
Councilman Aceto	X			
Supervisor McGreevy	X			

Resolution duly adopted. Resolution follows.

Resolution to Adopt the Town of Tyre Water District No. 2 2022 Tentative Budget as the Town of Tyre Water District No. 2 2022 Preliminary Budget

The adoption of the foregoing Resolution was moved by Councilman Sutterby, and seconded by Councilman Thomson, and duly put to a vote, which resulted as follows:

	YEA	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Councilman Thomson	X			
Councilman Rogers	X			
Councilman Sutterby	X			
Councilman Aceto	X			
Supervisor McGreevy	X			

Resolution duly adopted. Resolution follows.

Resolution to Adopt the Town of Tyre Fire District 2022 Tentative Budget as the Town of Tyre Fire District 2022 Preliminary Budget

The adoption of the foregoing Resolution was moved by Councilman Thomson, and seconded by Councilman Sutterby, and duly put to a vote, which resulted as follows:

	YEA	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Councilman Thomson	X			
Councilman Rogers	X			
Councilman Sutterby	X			
Councilman Aceto	X			
Supervisor McGreevy	X			

Resolution duly adopted. Resolution follows.

Resolution to Schedule a Special Meeting of the Tyre Town Board for the Purpose of Holding a 2022 Budget Workshop

The adoption of the foregoing Resolution was moved by Councilman Rogers, and seconded by Councilman Sutterby, and duly put to a vote, which resulted as follows:

	YEA	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Councilman Thomson	X			
Councilman Rogers	X			
Councilman Sutterby	X			
Councilman Aceto	X			
Supervisor McGreevy	X			

Resolution duly adopted. Resolution follows.

Supervisor Correspondence/Report: None to report this evening

Financial – Bills:

General Fund – Town Wide – 118-119; 445-472

Highway Fund – 118-119; 445; 542-549

Water District #1 – 824-827

Water District #2 – 825

Trust & Agency – 15-16

Councilman Rogers moved, seconded by Councilman Sutterby that the bills be approved for payment: VOTE: Yea – 5; Nay – 0; Abstain – 0; Absent – 0

Adjournment:

Councilman Sutterby moved, seconded by Councilman Thomson that the meeting be adjourned at 7:31 p.m. VOTE: Yea – 5; Nay – 0; Abstain – 0 Absent - 0

Submitted by,

Carolyn Sosnowski
Town Clerk