

October 19, 2023

The regular monthly meeting of the Tyre Town Board was held Thursday, October 19, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. in the Tyre Municipal Building, 1082 Gravel Road, Seneca Falls, NY 13148, in the Town of Tyre.

Supervisor Partee called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Councilman Jeffrey Bennett – here; Councilman Henry Bickel – here; Councilman Kenneth Sutterby – here; Supervisor Beth Partee – here

In Attendance: Dennis Stone; Marge Fahrenholz; Pat Mahoney; Dallyn Jenkins;

Open Privilege of the Floor: None

Approval of Meeting Minutes: September 18, 2023; September 21, 2023; and October 5, 2023

Motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes and approve them as written made by Councilman Bennett and seconded by Councilman Bickel.

VOTE: Aye – 4; Nay – 0; Absent – 0; Abstain – 0

Motion carried

Reports of Officers and Departments:

Town Clerk: Nothing

Highway Superintendent: Nothing

Dog Control Officer: There were no calls for the month of September. The shelter was able to get 180 cats spayed/neutered.

Fire Department: Nothing

Assessor: Nothing

Planning Board/ZBA/Training Records: Nothing

Zoning Enforcement Officer: Circle K has contacted the Town to inquire about installing EV charging stations. Del lago is considering amending the PUD to build a storage building. The planning board has three vacancies: chair; secretary; and planning board member.

Bookkeeper: Abstract of audited vouchers #9 with cash receipts summary report, Supervisor's monthly report, and the financial report.

Reports of Committees:

Highway Committee: Nothing

Building Committee:

Court Clerk Window – has been completed
Boiler & HVAC system has been serviced

Records & Communication Committee: Nothing

Financial Management Committee: Budget Workshop occurred on 10/5/23 and is still a work in progress.

Sewer & Water Committee: #3 Water's application for the comptroller is being finalized and will soon be sent for review.

Fire Protection Committee:

Still engaging in discussion with multiple agencies

Personnel Committee: Nothing

Band Hall Committee: Marge reported that they have found 2 sheds that they believe would work for storage for the Band Hall. One is an 8 X 8 and the other is an 8 X 10. Supervisor Partee instructed the Band Hall Committee to bring their recommendation to the Board at next months meeting so it can be discussed. Dennis has received pricing on an on demand hot water system for under the kitchen sink. Pam Atherton has made a sign for the Band Hall and they would like to place this in the yard in front of the #2 fire house. The Board recommended that the Committee check with Zoning to make sure this is okay. December 3, 2023 will be “winter cookies, cocoa & carrolls from 2-4 p.m. There will be a mailing from Wilson Press announcing this to all town residents.

Unfinished Business: None

New Business: Councilman Bennett brought up the fact that #2 firehouse is condemned. Councilman Bennett is concerned about the Town’s liability in owning this property. He believes that the original intent was that if not used the property would revert back to the original owner. Supervisor Partee will check with the lawyer in regards to this matter. Town Clerk will check fire house records to see if she can find anything in regards to the original owner and a possible agreement.

Supervisor’s Report: Supervisor Partee is the Chairman for the Economic and Developmental Committee for Seneca County. The Magee House in Tyre is owned by the Seneca County Chamber of Commerce and is requesting financial support from the Board of Supervisors to turn the Magee House into a Seneca County Visitor’s Center. The Magee House also has several offers for purchase. The Tyre Town Board agrees that they would like to see the Visitor’s Center still placed there and they are in support of Supervisor Partee voting for this choice at the Board of Supervisors meeting. Councilman Sutterby stated that there is no need for her to abstain when it comes to this vote and that the Town needs to be represented on this matter.

Resolutions and Motions:

Resolution introducing proposed Local Law #6 of 2023 entitled “A Local Law Amending Local Law #1 of 2009; Local Law #1 of 2010; Local Law #4 of 2015; and the Zoning Law of the Town of Tyre Pertaining to Dogs and Kennels” for review,

establishing SEQRA lead agency, referring the proposed local law to the Town of Tyre and Seneca County Planning Boards; and setting a public hearing

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

VOTE: Aye – 4; Nay – 0; Abstain – 0; Absent – 0

The Resolution was duly adopted.

Resolution to accept the Town of Tyre Multi-year Capital Plan

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

VOTE: Aye – 4; Nay – 0; Abstain – 0; Absent – 0

The Resolution was duly adopted.

Resolution to accept the Town of Tyre Multi-year Financial Plan

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

VOTE: Aye – 4; Nay – 0; Abstain – 0; Absent – 0

The Resolution was duly adopted.

Resolution to amend the General Fund (A Fund) 2024 Preliminary Budget

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

VOTE: Aye – 4; Nay – 0; Abstain – 0; Absent – 0

The Resolution was duly adopted.

Resolution to amend the Highway Fund (DA Fund) 2024 Preliminary Budget

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

VOTE: Aye – 4; Nay – 0; Abstain – 0; Absent – 0

The Resolution was duly adopted.

Resolution to amend the Water District #1 Fund (SW1 Fund) 2024 Preliminary Budget

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

VOTE: Aye – 4; Nay – 0; Abstain – 0; Absent – 0

The Resolution was duly adopted.

Resolution to schedule a Public Hearing on the Town of Tyre 2024 Preliminary Budget for 11/9/23 at 6:30 p.m.

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

VOTE: Aye – 4; Nay – 0; Abstain – 0; Absent – 0

The Resolution was duly adopted.

Resolution authorizing payment to the County Treasurer for 2024 county tax reduction

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

VOTE: Aye – 4; Nay – 0; Abstain – 0; Absent – 0

The Resolution was duly adopted.

Resolution to accept the agreement with North Seneca Ambulance for services for 2024

Discussion: Councilman Bennett feels that if the Town is paying a lump sum to the NSA that the residents should not be receiving a bill at all if they have to use this service. Supervisor Partee said that the fee was for a one year contract with NSA. Councilman Bennett stated that he is having a difficult time with the Town paying for a contract and the residents not getting anything in return.

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

VOTE: Aye – 3; Nay – 0; Abstain – 1; Absent – 0

The Resolution was duly adopted.

Correspondence:

- September 21, 2023 – From NYS Office of the State Comptroller, Town of Tyre’s Fiscal Stress Score received
- September 27, 2023 – From Dagmar Nearpass, via website (Re: Road striping of newly paved roads)
- September 28, 2023 – From NYS Agriculture and Markets, Dog Control Officer Inspection Report completed on 09/12/2023 received

- September 28, 2023 From NYS Agriculture and Markets, Municipal Shelter Inspection Report completed on 09/12/2023 received
- October 2, 2023 – From Canna Life LLC, Notification to Municipality of adult-use cannabis retail dispensary license application
- October 2, 2023 – From Daniel Dennis, Notification to Municipality of adult-use cannabis retail dispensary license application
- October 2, 2023 – From Sheen Housing, 2022 Annual Report received (Re: available funding for homeowners in need of home repairs as well as housing counseling and closing cost assistance for homebuyers – for lower-income individuals, families, seniors, veterans and persons living with disabilities)
- October 6, 2023 – From NYS Association of Towns, October 2023 Digital Newsletter received
- October 12, 2023 – From Environmental Design & Research (EDR), via email (Re: North Seneca Solar Project Visual Outreach in regard to the project which is proposed in the Towns of Waterloo and Junius - requesting input on the identification of visually sensitive resources, existing and proposed sensitive land uses, and potential photosimulation locations within the 2-mile visual study area)
- October 16, 2023 – From Damien Cornwell, call received (Re: cannabis grower's showcase/farmer's market in Tyre)

Bills:

General Fund – Townwide: 120-121; 454-484; 666

Highway Fund: 120-121; 667-675

JCAP:

Fire Protection District:

Water District #1: 827-829

Water District #2: 827

Trust & Agency: 17-18

Councilman Bennett moved, seconded by Councilman Sutterby that the bills be approved for payment: VOTE: Aye – 4; Nay – 0; Abstain – 0; Absent – 0

Adjournment:

Councilman Bennett moved, seconded by Councilman Sutterby that the meeting be adjourned at 7:29 p.m. VOTE: Aye – 4; Nay – 0; Abstain – 0; Absent – 0

Submitted by,

Carolyn Sosnowski
Tyre Town Clerk