

September 8, 2022

The regular meeting of the Town of Hartland, County of Niagara, State of New York, was held on the above date at the Town Hall, 8942 Ridge Road, Gasport convening at 7:00 p.m.

Members present:

Supervisor: W. Ross Annable
Councilman: Joseph Reed
Clifford Grant
David Huntington
David Hill - Excused
Attorney: Daniel Seaman
Attended by: Sign in sheet attached

Supervisor Annable called the meeting to order with all present standing for the pledge to the flag.

Minutes

RESOLUTION 79-2022

MOTION by Councilman Grant, seconded by Councilman Reed to adopt the minutes of the August 11, 2022 board meeting and the September 1, 2022 special meeting as presented.

Ayes: Annable, Reed, Grant, Huntington Nays: 0 CARRIED

Abstract of Bills

RESOLUTION 80-2022

MOTION by Councilman Reed, seconded by Councilman Huntington resolved that the following bills, as prepared by the Town Clerk and having been reviewed by the Town Board, be authorized for payment in the following amounts:

Voucher #'s 2022000770-2022000853

General: \$20,418.26
Part Town: \$10,600.17
Highway: \$57,483.07
Refuse: \$26,990.34
Water: \$16,883.02

Total: \$132,374.86

Ayes: Annable, Reed, Grant, Huntington Nays: 0 CARRIED

HIGHWAY/WATER REPORT: Read and filed

ASSESSOR / CEO REPORTS: None

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – AGENDA ITEMS: None

OLD BUSINESS:

Peddler’s Law

Supervisor Annable: Next up is our new Peddler’s Law that we had a Public Hearing on last month. Does anyone have any comments before we go ahead and pass this? We get some people that come and sell things and it causes problems periodically so this will give us a little tighter rein on those individuals.

ADOPTION of Local Law entitled
A Local Law Concerning Peddling and Soliciting in the Town of Hartland

Annable: Aye

Reed: Aye

Grant: Aye

Huntington: Aye

ADOPTED

The Local Law will become effective immediately upon filing with the Secretary of State.

The complete text of said Law is on file in the Office of Town Clerk and is available for review by any interested person during business hours.

NEW BUSINESS:

Supervisor Annable: We need to set the date for the highway inventory walkthrough. I think we should do that prior to our next board meeting. I will check with Keith for the time but let’s say five o’clock on October 13th.

Supervisor Annable: Next, we need a resolution to allow the courts to apply for the JCAP grant.

RESOLUTION 81-2022

MOTION by Councilman Huntington, seconded by Councilman Grant to authorize Hartland Town Court to apply for the JCAP grant in the 2022-2023 grant cycle up to \$30,000.

Ayes: Annable, Reed, Grant, Huntington Nays: 0 CARRIED

Supervisor Annable: Next I just want to touch base on the 2% tax cap because we are doing the budget right now. There is a possibility we may have to jump over that tax cap, and I want to be sure we have the timing down so we can instill that if we have to.

Attorney Daniel Seaman: I think that if we do that at the next board meeting, we will be okay. If necessary, we can always set a special meeting.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

Mrs. Margaret Zaepfel: Have there been any solar updates since last month?

Supervisor Annable: We had a conference call with the attorney and EDF to see what we can do with our attorney and engineer. We want to look at our new law and see what we can come up with in initial conversations. We have charged the Planning Board with coming up with some issues that need to be addressed as a part of the process. I will probably attend the next Planning Board meeting to hear their ideas.

Mrs. Zaepfel: Is anything going to be written down or is it just talking over the phone?

Supervisor Annable: It is initial conversation to see where everyone is at. Once we have some more information about what the Planning Board is looking at, then we will probably have a sit-down meeting.

Mrs. Zaepfel: I guess what is in the new law that the Planning Board presented is basically what we're interested in. So, we are curious what EDF has to say about that.

Supervisor Annable: We will go through those things. I went through them and there a lot of things that are already standardized. So, those things are easy to go through. In fact, they sent us a response to our current law from their standpoint. A lot of the things that were in there were agreed to. They did mention our ditching and drainage control and those types of things too.

Mrs. Zaepfel: The biggest thing that I would think about is having the least amount of damage to the least amount of people. If we tear up every street in the Town of Hartland with buildings and ditches and everything else its going to be horrible.

Supervisor Annable: I don't think you are going to find them moving those acres.

Mrs. Zaepfel: He said he has 3200 acres here or something like that and he only needs 15. So, half of these won't be used depending on where they're placed.

Supervisor Annable: Those are all questions to be dealt with, so we'll get started on that and some of the issues that the Planning Board wants to have addressed and start a checklist. Unless anyone has anything for the board, I'll entertain a motion to adjourn.

Adjournment

RESOLUTION 82-2022

MOTION by Councilman Huntington, seconded by Councilman Grant that since there is no further business to come before the board, the meeting be adjourned at 7:12p.m.

Ayes: Annable, Reed, Grant, Huntington Nays: 0 CARRIED

Respectfully submitted:



Rachel M Kushner

Town Clerk

Next scheduled regular meeting will be October 13, 2022 at 7:00 p. m.