January 12, 2023 Town of Afton County of Chenango

Present at the regular meeting were Supervisor John Lawrence, Councilmen Calvin Tallmadge, Chris Warren and Jamie Baciuska; Superintendent Kirk Hoyt; Assessor Caitlyn Brown; DCO Amy Cross; absent Councilman Robert Tallmadge.

Visitors:

Joe Bunzey, Owner of Apex Pest Solutions; and the Honorable Donald

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Bills and Claims were audited and ordered paid as follows:

General Fund

2022 Abstract no 13, claims no 200-206, totaling \$2,660.22

2023 Abstract no 1, claims no 1-12, totaling \$8,787.73

Highway Fund

2022 Abstract no 13, claims no 160-170, totaling \$17,220.58

2023 Abstract no 1, claim no 1, totaling \$3,389.72

Regular meeting was called to order at 7pm with the Salute to the Flag.

Motion to accept the December 8, 2022 Board meeting minutes, made by Calvin Tallmadge seconded by Jamie Baciuska. All in favor, motion so carried.

Motion to accept the bills and claims, made by Chris Warren, seconded by Calvin Tallmadge. All in favor, motion so carried.

Communications:

1/ Town Budgets for 2023 Town General Levy, copies to Board Members

2/ Upstate Towns plan/action and FCC Broadband map areas.

3/ Apex Pest Solutions, estimate for the pest control of the Afton Medical Center. Motion to accept the estimate and work to be done by Apex, made by Jamie Baciuska, seconded by Chris Warren. All in favor, motion so carried.

Committee Reports:

1/ Assessor, Caitlyn notifying the Town of the new bill that passed, For giving the residence a second notice to apply for the Senior Citizens exemption. For the notifications there is a fee of \$350.00, and each notice will cost \$0.49. Motion to approve made by Jamie Baciuska, seconded by Chris Warren. All in favor, motion so carried.

- 2/ Financial, reports distributed and filed.
- 3/ Sanitation, Bailey gave update of the new septic systems.
- 4/ Highway, Kirk mentioned that the Highway Dept is working on brush cutting and maintenance being done on the equipment.
- 5/ DCO, report distributed and filed.
- 6/ Building, nothing to report.
- 7/ Historian, report distributed and filed.

Old Business:

- 1/ Reviewed the Buell Fuels proposal for 2023.
- 2/ Reviewed the Local Law No 1 of 2008, Regulating Junk Storage
- 3/ US Source, Community solar services for the Municipalities, to go forward with the broker agreement for the Town's electric. Motion to approve by Calvin Tallmadge, seconded by Jamie Baciuska. All in favor, motion so carried.

New Business:

- 1/ Eastern Energy to update the lighting to the Medical Center, the Highway garage and storage building. Motion to approve made by Calvin Tallmadge, seconded by Jamie Baciuska. All in favor, motion so carried 2/ Replacements of two needed for the Planning Board, Tyler Lawrence and Robert Palmetier.
- 3/ Reorganization for 2023 as follows:
 - a/ Monthly meetings will be held at 6:45 pm to audit bills and claims. The regular meeting will begin at 7 pm, which are held on the second Thursday of each month at the Town Hall building.
 - b/ NBT Bank, NA
 - c/ Historian: Kathy Ouimet
 - d/ Custodian for the Town Hall: Sandra Reiling

- e/ Deputy Town Clerk pay \$14.20 hrly as of 2023
- f/ Deputy Town Supervisor: Joyce Lawrence
- g/ Permission to pay salaried employees.
- h/ Mileage at \$.625 per mile
- i/ Meeting rules procedures "Roberts Rules of Order" newest edition and adding the Town Supervisor does have the authority to make and second any Board Motion.
- j/ Assessment Board of Review, compensation at \$14.20 hrly as of 2023
- k/ DCO: Amy Cross
- I/ Sanitation Officer: Bailey DeBetta
- m/ Records Management Officer: Sandra Reiling
- n/ Highway, Building, and Grounds Committee Chair: Robert

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- o/ Special meeting notice will be posted on the front door of the Town Hall
- p/ Building permits can be authorized by the Town Supervisor or the Town Clerk
- q/ Town Attorney: David Berger
- r/ Registrar of Vital Statistics for the Town and Village: Sandra Reiling Motion to approve the 2023 Reorganization A-R, with updates made to the minimum wage and mileage, made by Jamie Baciuska, seconded by Calvin Tallmadge. All in favor, motion so carried.
- 4/ Results of the Audit of the Town's bank accounts, good. The Town Count will be done at a later date.

Recognition of Visitors:

Honorable Donald Ouimet, and Joseph Bunzey, owner of Apex Pest Solutions

Motion to go to Executive Session at 8:40 pm, to discuss a personnel review, made by John Lawrence, seconded by Calvin Tallmadge. Approved.

Motion to return from Executive Session at 8:58 pm, made by Calvin Tallmadge, seconded by Jamie Baciuksa. Approved.

Motion to Adjourn at 9 pm, by Jamie Baciuska, seconded by Chris Warren. Approved.

Respectfully submitted by

Sandra D Reiling

Clerk of the Board