

September 12, 2024  
Town of Afton  
Chenango County

Present at our regular Board meeting were Supervisor John Lawrence; Councilmen Robert Tallmadge, Chris Warren and Jamie Baciuska; DCO Amy Cross; Sanitation Officer Bailey DeBetta; and Historian Mel Hager. Absent: Superintendent Kirk Hoyt, Councilman Calvin Tallmadge, and Assessor Caitlyn Brown.

Visitors: Teri Schunk and Judy Hinman of 4 Towns Forward; Hayley Effler of Dimension Energy

**Bills and Claims:**

General Fund

Abstract no 9, claims no 112-122, totaling \$5,065.70

Highway Fund

Abstract no 9, claims no 96-105, totaling \$8,371.12

Regular meeting called to order at 6:30 pm with the Salute to the Flag.

Motion to pay bills and claims. Motion made by Robert Tallmadge, seconded by Jamie Baciuska. All in favor, motion so carried.

Motion to accept the August 8, 2024 Board Meeting minutes. Motion made by Jamie Baciuska, Seconded by Robert Tallmadge. All in favor, motion so carried.

Teri Schunk explained that 4 Towns Forward, is a collaboration of the Towns, Villages and Schools of Afton, Bainbridge, Sidney and Unadilla and the Chambers of Commerce.

To promote economic diversification, work to retain people and businesses.

Judy Hinman talked on the Homeless issues in our area.

Looking for real estate for development, for housing.

Hayley Effler spoke about the application of a second new solar farm project to be placed on the property located at 500 State Route 41 Afton NY, and their plan.

Motion to make the Town of Afton as Lead Agency. Motion made by Chris Warren and Seconded by Robert Tallmadge. All in favor, motion so carried.

**Communications:**

1/ The Town received a Thank You from Ron Sherman for the Town and Village Highway Department for repairing Pixley Road, entrance to the Glenwood Cemetery.

**Committee Reports:**

1/ Assessor, absent

2/ Financial, report distributed and filed

3/ Sanitation, Bailey gave updates on the two properties to be cleaned up.



4/ Highway, report given by McKenzie Hoyt, DEC has given the Town a permit for the repairs that are needed on St John Road. Will request bids for the project. The dept has been mowing the roads. Kirk is looking to replace a plow truck with high mileage and the body in need of repairs. Received a State Bid for a new one. This to be tabled. Will need to look for a garage to work on the paver.

5/ DCO, Amy's report distributed and filed.

6/ Building, Robert mentioned that the town parking lot should be re-sealed in the spring.

7/ Historian, Mel talked about the roof repairs needed at the Museum. There is a fire proof filing cabinet available, will need help in moving it. Mel also mentioned that she had someone interest in looking at the Medical Center.

The Board decided to help out with the Museum roof repairs, \$1,500; funds to come from A7310.2 \$1,000. And A7550.4 \$500. Motion to approve this made by Jamie Baciaska, seconded by Robert Tallmadge. All in favor, motion so carried.

#### Old Business:

1/ Bailey will be reaching out to American Heating & AC regarding turning off the water and winterizing the boiler at the Medical Center.

2/ Games of Chance Law, the Town will not be going forward on this.

3/ Information on Deferred Compensation was distributed to the Highway personnel

#### New Business:

1/ To give the Highway Dept personnel info on AFLAC

2/ Review the Tentative Budget.

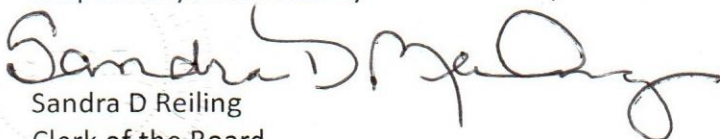
#### Recognition of Visitors

Motion was made to go into Executive Session at 8:45 pm, for personnel concerns. Motion made by Jamie Baciaska and seconded by Chris Warren. All in favor. Motion so carried. Motion to return from Executive Session at 9:12 pm, made by Jamie Baciaska and seconded by Chris Warren. All in favor. Motion so carried.

#### Review of the Tentative Budget.

Motion to adjourn at 9:50 pm, made by Jamie Baciaska seconded by Robert Tallmadge. All in favor. Motion so carried.

Respectfully submitted by



Sandra D Reiling  
Clerk of the Board