

TOWN OF HASTINGS. OSWEGO COUNTY, NEW YORK

TOWN BOARD MEETING- April 9, 2024

The Town of Hastings Town Board held a regular meeting on Tuesday, April 9th, at 7:30 PM.

ATTENDANCE

Board members present: Supervisor Tony Bush, Councilman Alan Hanson, Councilman Richard Waldron, Councilman John Hill, and Councilman Mark Martino Sr.

Also present: Jason Burns, Director of Code Enforcement and Community Planning and Development; Michael Lewis, Highway Superintendent; Krista Lewis, Parks Manager; and Cynthia Tulowiecki, Town Clerk.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIENCE

Supervisor Bush called the town board meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. asked for the Pledge of Allegiance and pointed out the emergency exits.

DISCUSSIONS

Supervisor Bush opened the floor for public comment.

1.) Ryan Lucas, from the Hub located at Van Lieu Park, share that Hubb’s 2-year anniversary is approaching and would like to have an open house along with the park on Saturday May 4th, 2024. Councilman Waldron was concerned about the date due to the Pickleball courts still need a second coating and the weather has not been agreeable. Waldron stated we need three goods days above 50 degrees both day and night for the second coating to be applied. He also stated that the dog park may not have a lot of grass, but we may open the gates. Tony stated we need to commit to a date so fliers can be made and posted. Councilman Hill suggested May 18th and aske Krista Lewis, Parks Manager if the park would be available that day. She stated nothing else was planned for that date. Ryan, Krista, and the Town Board all agreed to the to the date of May 18, 2024, from 11am-2pm, rain or shine. Ryan shared they would also like to have a scavenger hunt and shared they would like to serve a Chicken BBQ during the event. Tony stated the Town would look into providing a food truck such as Brandon’s or Chuck’s and see if they would be interested in donating to the cost.

2.) Supervisor Bush acknowledged Krista Lewis and asked if she had anything to share about the parks. Krista shared that she has been busy promoting the utilities available. She is working on filling in a schedule for the Pickleball Courts. Councilman Waldron asked if any of the leagues have signed up for use of the fields. Krista stated that Pop Warner Football, , Central Square

Little League, and the Girls Softball Teams have all signed up. Tony asked about the new field for lacrosse and soccer use. Krista stated not at this time but she, Supervisor Bush, and Councilman Waldron, all agreed it is still early.

3.) Supervisor Bush asked if anyone else had something to discuss. Jim Hanson from 273 Cornell Road, addressed the board regarding the condition at North Country Plaza. He shared he was at the January 9, 2024, Town Board Meeting to discuss the conditions of the plaza and he would be back in 90 days for an update. Supervisor Bush stated that he requested the building to be boarded and the owner has complied. Tony asked Jason Burns if there was anything he'd like to add. Jason stated that we have done everything in our power.

Jim asked about the integrity of the building. Tony stated it was inspected by an engineer about 5-6 years ago when Mr. Bombardo was still the Code Enforcement Director. He stated the building was structurally sound and did not need to be demolished. Jason stated that Mr. Bombardo also told him that the engineer said the steel trusses were structurally sound and the building did not need to be demolished.

Supervisor Bush reinforced that the building is posted and boarded with no openings. The building is on private property and not open to the public. He also stated that the owner is current on his taxes. There is nothing the town can do at this time to this property.

RESOLUTIONS:

1.) Councilman Hill introduced the following and moved its adoption:

RESOLVED, the Town of Hastings Town Board approves the minutes from the March 12, 2024 Town Board Meeting.

Councilman Martino seconded. Supervisor Bush asked if there was any discussion. **Vote:** Councilman Hill, aye; Councilman Waldron, aye; Councilman Hanson, aye; Councilman Martino, aye; Supervisor Bush, aye. Motion carried. **Resolution 24-52 adopted.**

2.) Councilman Waldron introduced the following and moved its adoption:

RESOLVED, The Town of Hastings Town Board approves for payment the claims on attached abstract #4 in the amount indicated thereon.

Councilman Hill seconded. Supervisor Bush asked if there was any discussion. **Vote:** Councilman Hill, aye; Councilman Waldron, aye; Councilman Hanson, aye; Councilman Martino, aye; Supervisor Bush, aye. Motion carried. **Resolution 24-53 adopted.**

3.) Councilman Hill introduced the following and moved its adoption:

RESOLVED, the Town of Hastings Town Board approves the expenditure of \$31,196.59 out of appropriation account 89104.01.000.04 ARPA for the Dog Park to Double K Fence Company, 3767 State Route 49, Central Square, NY 13036. Per the procurement policy, three quotes were obtained, and Double K Fence Company was the lowest bidder.

Councilman Waldron seconded. Supervisor Bush asked if there was any discussion. **Vote:** Councilman Hill, aye; Councilman Waldron, aye; Councilman Hanson, aye; Councilman Martino, aye; Supervisor Bush, aye. Motion carried. **Resolution 24-54 adopted.**

4.) Councilman Hill introduced the following and moved its adoption:

RESOLVED, the Town of Hastings Town Board approves for the supervisor to execute a grant agreement with NYS Environmental Facilities Corporation for the Engineering Planning Grant related to the Southern Oswego County Regional Sewer Interceptor Study.

Councilman Waldron seconded. Supervisor Bush asked if there was any discussion. **Vote:** Councilman Hill, aye; Councilman Waldron, aye; Councilman Hanson, aye; Councilman Martino, aye; Supervisor Bush, aye. Motion carried. **Resolution 24-55 adopted.**

5.) Councilman Hill introduced the following and moved its adoption:

RESOLVED, the Town of Hastings Town Board approves the authorization and appropriation of the local match for the NYS Environmental Facilities Corporation Engineering Planning Grant related to Southern Oswego County Regional Sewer Interceptor Study.

Councilman Martino seconded. Supervisor Bush asked if there was any discussion. **Vote:** Councilman Hill, aye; Councilman Waldron, aye; Councilman Hanson, aye; Councilman Martino, aye; Supervisor Bush, aye. Motion carried. **Resolution 24-56 adopted.**

6.) Councilman Hanson introduced the following and moved its adoption:

RESOLVED, the Town of Hastings Town Board approves for Mike Lewis, Highway Superintendent to attend the 2024 Highway School Conference sponsored by the Association of Towns of the State of New York on June 3rd-5th, 2024 and approves the cost of registration of \$125.

Councilman Martino seconded. Supervisor Bush asked if there was any discussion. **Vote:** Councilman Hill, aye; Councilman Waldron, aye; Councilman Hanson, aye; Councilman Martino, aye; Supervisor Bush, aye. Motion carried. **Resolution 24-57 adopted.**

7.) Councilman Hill introduced the following and moved its adoption:

RESOLVED, the Town of Hastings Town Board approves the Resolution Granting the State of New York Authority to Perform the Adjustment for the Owner and Agreeing to Maintain Facilities Adjusted Via State-let Contract PIN 30343.65.

Councilman Hanson seconded. Supervisor Bush asked if there was any discussion. **Vote:** Councilman Hill, aye; Councilman Waldron, aye; Councilman Hanson, aye; Councilman Martino, aye; Supervisor Bush, aye. Motion carried. **Resolution 24-50 adopted.**

8.) Councilman Hanson introduced the following and moved for it to be Tabled.

Approval of the Junkyard License Renewal for A&D Auto Recycling and Sales and for PM Service.

Councilman Martino seconded. . Supervisor Bush asked if there was any discussion. **Vote:** Councilman Hill, aye; Councilman Waldron, aye; Councilman Hanson, aye; Councilman Martino, aye; Supervisor Bush, aye. Motion carried. **JY24-03 and JY24-04 tabled.**

OTHER BUSINESS

Supervisor Bush would like it on record that the Town Board Town of Hasting will begin to look for 3 bids for clearing on Barker Road of no more than one acre for a parking lot. The size would be 150 ft by 250 ft back. This should help with traffic and safety issues while the park is being utilized. Mike Lewis will be involved with this project for the driveway, fill, and culvert pipes.

ADJOURNMENT

As there was no further business, Supervisor Bush motioned to adjourn the meeting. Councilman Hanson seconded. All in favor. Motioned carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Cynthia L. Tulowiecki, Town Clerk