TOWN OF BOLIVAR
Regular Meeting Minutes

November 21, 2023

1. A Regular Monthly Meeting of the Town of Bolivar, NY was held on, November 21st, 2023, at 6:00 p.m., at the Bolivar Town Hall.

2. Call to order by Supervisor Gould with the Pledge of Allegiance 6:00 pm

3. Present:

Ricky Gould	Supervisor
Randy Iantorno	Councilperson/Deputy Supervisor
Alyn MacDonell	Councilperson
Bud Wittenburg	Councilperson
Bradley Schiralli	Highway Superintendent
Amanda Gilliland	Town Clerk

4. Absent: Ed Majot — Councilperson

5. Guests Present and Public Concerns: none

6. **APPROVAL OF OCTOBER 17th , 2023 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

The minutes of the October 17th, 2023 meeting were read by the Board. A motion was made by Councilperson MacDonell, seconded by Councilperson Iantorno, to accept the minutes.

Aye – 4, Nay – 0, Absent - 1. Motion carried.

7. **PAYMENT OF BILLS:**

On a motion of Councilperson Iantorno, seconded by Councilperson MacDonell, that the bills be paid in the following amounts:

GENERAL FUND A Abstract, Vouchers #206-224	$5,590.08
GENERAL FUND B Abstract, Vouchers #17	$50.00
HIGHWAY FUND DA Abstract, Vouchers #68-71	$6,672.28
HIGHWAY FUND DB Abstract, Vouchers #49-50	$11,229.02
TOTAL	**$23,541.38**

Aye – 4, Nay – 0, Absent - 1. Motion carried.

8. **APPROVAL OF BOLIVAR RICHBURG WATER DISTRICT ABSTRACTS FOR OCTOBER 2023 TOTALING $91,170.05:**

On a motion of Supervisor Gould, seconded by Councilperson MacDonell, to approve the abstract for the Bolivar Richburg Water District.

Aye – 4, Nay – 0, Absent - 1. Motion carried.

- Water board news: none

9. REPORT OF TOWN OFFICIALS:

- Highway: Highway Superintendent Brad Schiralli gave his report to the Board.

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Allegany county had supplied us with their sod loader machine along with an operator. We use this machine for 4 days. We had pulled the shoulders with our grader into the roadway, and then loaded it into dump trucks with this machine. The town had worked on the entire length of the horse run road, then went to the Phillips Hill Road to complete it. Using the sod loader and asking other townships for help, with use of their trucks, we can load out a lot of shoulder material in a short period of time. Most all this material that we pulled from Horse run Road went to our gravel pit to use for reclamation of our gravel pit.
We mixed around 40 tons of sand patch to use on some of our roads to patch out. We had Suit Kote come and do the mixing.
We ditched and graded the entire length of Putman Road. Adding almost 100 tons of crushed bank run gravel to the roadway.
We started working on Beers Hollow Road. Cleaning ditches, adding crush Bank on gravel to the roadway, grading and rolling. So far on Beers Hollow Road we had used approximately 180 tons of crushed bank run gravel.
We ordered a new Salt Dogg poly sander, model 2000x. The sander will go on the 1-ton Ford dump truck. This sander will be delivered on Wednesday November 22nd.
I have prices on three different, one-ton dual rear wheel dump/plow trucks. We need to decide on ordering this to fall within the 2024 budget. The lead time on getting this truck may be up to one year. The cheapest quote we received is from Cappellino Chevrolet, which is the same dealership we purchased the one-ton single wheel truck from. We can ride on an existing mini bid to purchase this truck.

A motion was made by Councilperson Iantorno, seconded by Supervisor Gould, to approve to place an order to purchase a 1-ton dump/plow truck from Cappellino Chevrolet, once the order bank opens.
Aye – 4, Nay – 0, Absent - 1. Motion carried.

I have been entertaining the thought of not putting the stainless-steel box that we had purchased on the 99 International dump truck. My thought is to put this on a new cab and chassis along with the plow equipment from 1999 International. This has the potential to save about $100,000 versus purchasing a new truck with new box/plow equipment on it. Then have somebody like Valley Fab convert everything over to the new cab and chassis. Current new plow dump trucks are pushing the $300,000 mark. The cab and chassis will run $150,000, the plow equipment, and dump box is also in the ballpark of $150,000. Just food for thought we can discuss it at tonight's board meeting.
Mr. Schiralli updated the Board regarding the damage to a road. The town Attorney suggested that the Town file a claim with the insurance company. Mr. Schiralli contacted the insurance company and stated that the town roads are not covered but will pursue a claim with the insurance company of the person who did the damage.
Truck mileage and equipment hours was also reported to the Board.

- **Code Enforcement**- No report for October submitted. 1 building permit application turned in: Adams – Wapseny Rd – 30x40 garage

PAID TO SUPERVISOR FOR GENERAL A FUND	$192.96
PAID TO SUPERVISOR FOR GENERAL B FUND	$150.00
PAID TO NYS DEC FOR DECALS	$1,366.04
PAID TO NYS AG & MARKETS FOR ANIMAL POPULATION CONTROL FUND	$23.00
PAID TO NYS HEALTH DEPT FOR MARRIAGE LICENSE	$0
PAID TO COUNTY TREASURER FOR LANDFILL	$171.00
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	**$1,903.00**

- **Town Clerk:** The Clerk report for October was handed out to the board. Check #2065 for $192.96 was deposited in the General A Fund. Check #2066 for $150.00

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was deposited in the General B Fund. Also issued by the clerk's Office were 1 permanent handicap permit and 1 notarized document.
On a motion of Councilperson Iantorno, seconded by Councilperson Wittenburg, to approve the Clerk's Report for October.
Aye – 4, Nay – 0, Absent - 1. Motion carried.

- **Justice:** Justice Gilliland submitted his monthly report to the Board for the month of October. Check #1026 for $382.00 was deposited into the General A fund.

- **Dog Control**: Dog Control Officer Miszuk states nothing to report for October.

10. Old Business:

- **Cemetery maintenance agreement revisions:** board will review

11. New Business:

- **Tax exemption for persons over 65 years of age: to change or keep same**

  RESOLUTION 12-2023 TO CHANGE THE TAX EXEMPTION FOR PERSONS OVER 65 YEARS OF AGE WITH LIMITED INCOMES TO $16,000 WITH SLIDING SCALE:
  On the motion made by Councilperson MacDonell, seconded by Councilperson Wittenburg, the above resolution be ADOPTED, Aye – Gould, Aye -Iantorno, Aye – Wittenburg, Aye – MacDonell, Nay – 0, Absent - Majot. Motion carried.

- **Dog shelter agreement with T. of Wirt:** On a motion made by Supervisor Gould, seconded by Councilperson Iantorno, to approve the renewal of dog shelter agreement with the Town of Wirt.
  Aye – 4, Nay – 0, Absent - 1. Motion carried.

- **Lease with Village of Bolivar expiring in April 2024:** board members will review

12. A motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:28 p.m. was made by Councilperson Iantorno, seconded by Councilperson MacDonell.

Aye – 4, Nay – 0, Absent - 1. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,
Amanda Gilliland
Town Clerk