

Supervisor Gary Dickson called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

ROLL CALL:

Present	-	Gary Dickson	Supervisor
		William Bauer	Councilman
		Joseph Cantafio	Councilman
		William P. Hanley, Jr.	Councilman
		Jeff Piekarec	Councilman
Absent	-	None	

Supervisor Dickson read the Fire Prevention Code instructing the public where to exit in case of a fire or an emergency.

MINUTES TO BE APPROVED

- Motion by Supervisor Dickson, seconded by Councilman Cantafio, to approve Minutes #2021-11 of June 3, 2021.

Ayes: All Noes: None Motion Carried

- Motion by Supervisor Dickson, seconded by Councilman Hanley, to approve Minutes of the Special Meeting held on June 8, 2021.

Ayes: All Noes: None Motion Carried

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON COMMUNICATIONS

A resident commented/questioned items from term limits research presented at the last Town Board meeting:

- ✓ Most corruption occurs within the first two terms:
 - when was the corruption identified - during the term(s) or after
 - did the identified party run for another office
 - what was the percentage of corruption after two terms
- ✓ Short term office holders shirk responsibility – challenged the validity of the statement, mentioned the term limits for the Office of the Presidency, and quoted many historic figures that supported term limits

NEW BUSINESS

12-A ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Supervisor Dickson re Pedestrian crossing signal
- Supervisor Dickson re Appointment of Patti Shea to the Youth & Recreation Commission
- Councilman Cantafio re Appointment of Anne Reukoff to the Senior Services Advisory Board
- Councilman Cantafio re Appointment of Dominic Cascio to the Youth & Recreation Commission
- Councilman Hanley re Appointment of Georgiann Busse to the Senior Services Advisory Board
- Councilman Hanley re Appointment of Jacqueline L. Balikowski to the Youth & Recreation Commission
- Councilman Bauer re Appointment of Amy Brotka to the Senior Services Advisory Board
- Councilman Bauer re Appointment of Carol Jarczyk to the Youth & Recreation Commission

- Recreation Supervisor re Appointments to the Youth & Recreation Commission

Motion by Supervisor Dickson, seconded by Councilman Piekarec, to appoint the following individuals to the Recreation Commission and terms as listed:

Carrie Brown, Elementary School, 2021 – 2022 Lynn Putnam, High School, 2021 – 2023
Tammy Sugrue, Middle School, 2021 – 2023

Ayes: All Noes: None Motion Carried

- Councilman Piekarec re Appointment of Matt Bauer to the Recreation Commission
- Recreation Supervisor re Veterans Park Aquatic Complex

12-B COMMUNICATIONS TO BE VOTED ON

1. Supervisor Dickson re Appointment of Elena Osmanski to the Internal Audit Committee.

Motion by Supervisor Dickson, seconded by Councilman Bauer, to appoint Elena Osmanski to the Internal Audit Committee.

Ayes: All Noes: None Motion Carried

2. Councilman Piekarec re Local Law 2021-5 Term Limits

Motion by Councilman Piekarec, seconded by Supervisor Dickson, to schedule a public hearing on July 12, 2021, at 6 P.M. for proposed Local Law 2021-5 Term Limits.

Ayes: All Noes: None Motion Carried

3. Highway Sup't. re Appointment of seasonal part-time Buildings & Grounds Laborers

Motion by Supervisor Dickson, seconded by Councilman Bauer, to appoint Daniel Dollard, Brandon Schlegel, and Richard Szmanski as seasonal part-time Laborers in Buildings & Grounds at the rate of \$12.50 per hour effective June 15 – November 19, 2021, contingent upon completion of paperwork and passing of drug and alcohol testing and authorize the Supervisor to complete and sign the necessary forms for Erie County Personnel.

Ayes: All Noes: None Motion Carried

4. Highway Sup't. re Title change for Joseph Sitarek to part-time seasonal Sanitation Laborer

Motion by Supervisor Dickson, seconded by Councilman Cantafio, to terminate Joseph Sitarek as a seasonal Buildings & Grounds Laborer and appoint him as a seasonal Sanitation Laborer effective May 15 – November 19, 2021, at the rate of \$13.75 per hour and authorize the Supervisor to complete and sign the necessary forms for Erie County Personnel.

Ayes: All

Noes: None

Motion Carried

5. Highway Sup't. re Roof replacement – 211 Harlem Road and 12 School Street

Motion by Supervisor Dickson, seconded by Councilman Bauer, to authorize Highway Superintendent Adams to accept the quotes for roof replacements from the low bidders as follows:

211 Harlem Road:

Sahlem's Roofing at \$12,500 from budget line 1.9950.975

12 School Street (Metz House):

Expert Contracting at \$10,500 from budget line 1.7420.0445

Ayes: All

Noes: None

Motion Carried

6. Chief Denz re Bid award – purchase of police vehicles

Motion by Supervisor Dickson, seconded by Councilman Piekarec, to accept the low bid from Joe Basil Chevrolet, Inc. for the purchase of two (2) new 2021 Chevrolet Tahoe police vehicles in the amount of \$78,514.80 (\$39,257.40 each), noting there are funds available in police vehicle line 1.3120.0208.

On the question, Chief Denz stated the two older vehicles will be put out to auction in the private sector as the current trade in value in the government sector is much lower.

Ayes: All

Noes: None

Motion Carried

7. Director of Finance re Budget amendment – CARES Act funding

Motion by Supervisor Dickson, seconded by Councilman Hanley, to adopt the following resolution authorizing a budget amendment to account for the return of unused Federal CARES Act funding to the County of Erie:

WHEREAS, on January 14, 2021, New York State Commissioner Roberta Reardon signed an Order that temporarily cancels unemployment insurance charges to employers for the duration of the COVID-19 pandemic making unemployment costs unallowable for reimbursement under the CARES Act guidelines;

WHEREAS, the Town of West Seneca was originally reimbursed for unemployment insurance costs in the amount of \$89,337.24 as part of their CARES Act reimbursement, however, was able to reallocate \$38,206.30 of that funding to other CARES Act allowable costs that the Town incurred, at the direction of the Erie County Division of Budget and Management;

FURTHER, the Town also received \$100,000 of CARES Act funding to be used for the local share of funding related to FEMA, that was not utilized;

11. Recreation Supervisor re Summer 2021 terminations

Motion by Supervisor Dickson, seconded by Councilman Hanley, to terminate Kelsey Piatek, Kaylee Gorney, and Josie Slater as part-time Recreation Attendant's effective June 14, 2021, and authorize the Supervisor to complete and sign the necessary forms for Erie County Personnel.

Ayes: All

Noes: None

Motion Carried

12. Recreation Supervisor re West Seneca Little Loop and Cheerleading Agreement

Motion by Supervisor Dickson, seconded by Councilman Hanley, to authorize the Supervisor to execute the necessary documents to enter into an agreement with West Seneca Little Loop Football Inc.

Ayes: All

Noes: None

Motion Carried

12-C APPROVAL OF WARRANT

Motion by Supervisor Dickson, seconded by Councilman Hanley, to approve the vouchers submitted for audit, chargeable to the respective funds as follows: General Fund - \$434,576.95; Highway Fund - \$103,551.62; Sewer District - \$257,465.11; Gas Conversion Lighting Districts - \$10.67; Electric Lighting Districts - \$453.80; Capital Fund - \$94,672.35 (vouchers 18049 - 18871)

Ayes: All

Noes: None

Motion Carried

12-D REPORTS FOR FILING

- Amy M. Kobler, Town Clerk's report for May 2021, Receiver of Taxes May 2021, & Return of Tax Collection reports received and filed.
- Jeffrey Schieber, Code Enforcement Officer, building & plumbing reports for May 2021 received and filed.

12-E DEPARTMENT REPORTS

- Assessor's Office updates received and filed.
- Recreation Department updates received and filed.

ISSUES OF THE PUBLIC

- A resident questioned the status of repaving streets and requested the list be made public – Highway Superintendent Adams replied that he maintains a list of streets and prioritizes them each year based on available funding and issues that arise over the winter months. The next project will be Oakhill Drive and going forward Mr. Adams will provide his projections.
- Erie County Comptroller Steffan Mychajliw requested the Town Board pass a resolution to save the Skyway and stated West Seneca residents would be negatively impacted by the diversion of traffic if the Skyway is closed.

COMMUNICATIONS BY BOARD MEMBERS AND DEPARTMENT HEADS

Director of Finance

- Received drafts from the independent auditors

Councilman Piekarec

- Thanked the Fireman's Memorial Exhibit for the tour, please support their fundraiser

Supervisor Dickson

- Met with a developer to discuss opportunities in town; the Supervisor's office, Town Assessor, Code Enforcement Officer, and Chamber of Commerce meet every two weeks to discuss development interest and inquiries made to the town

Councilman Cantafio

- Met with Highway Department representatives for a safety review
- Thanked residents for the discussions about term limits

Councilman Bauer

- Veterans Park projects – pavilion and spray pad – to be completed by July 1, 2021 - Supervisor Dickson stated the town is not pleased with the pace of the pavilion project and the Town Engineer is addressing this with the contractor

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Supervisor Dickson, seconded by Councilman Hanley, to adjourn the meeting at 6:44 P.M.

Ayes: All

Noes: None

Motion Carried



AMY M. KOBLER, TOWN CLERK