



## REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING AUGUST 09, 2023

### CORRESPONDENCE:

- Letter from County- regarding a Grant, Letter sent in as support for waterfront revitalization program
- Final rate for state equalization rate 46.96
- Letter from Sullivan County Federation for the Homeless- If you would like to donate, please go to [www.scfederation.org](http://www.scfederation.org)
- Letter from PEN DOT- Discussion regarding the Skinners Falls Bridge, Gary Maas is on the committee for open discussion regarding bridge and will bring comments back for further discussion.
- Multiple calls regarding the road from railroad tracks down to landers, Maas, called state, and was advised that this is now a Town Road and maintenance, and upkeep will be complete by Town of Cocheton Highway dept.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** No one wished to comment.

### COMMITTEE REPORTS:

#### UDC- Larry Richardson

The regular meeting opened on August 3, at 7:00 p.m. with a zoom option.

The meeting opened a presentation by Sullivan County Commissioner of Public Safety Scott F. Schulte. We shared with Mr. Schulte an incident that happened recently when a tree fell across the tracks near Callicoon. A concerned citizen instinctively called 911 and was told they did not know who to call. The person then reached out to Peggy, and we were able to find a number for Norfolk Southern who in turn called Central New York.

**Reports-** Minutes for the three standing committees were distributed earlier.

- Project Review, (Larry Richardson)
- Operations, (Aaron Robinson)
- Water Use/Resource Management, (Ginny Dudko)

#### Status Reports

- **Delaware River Basin Commission** (Kristen Bowman Kavanagh) submitted hydrological report
- **NYS Dept. of Environmental Conservation** (Ryan Coulter) (absent)
- **PA Dept. of Conservation and Natural Resources** (Tim Dugan) reported
- **National Park Service** (Ingrid Peterec) reported that Fred Eisenberg has been hired on an ad hoc basis to help with planning issues until a permanent planner can be hired.
- **UDC Executive Director** (Laurie Ramie) reported that 96 people had registered for the annual raft trip. Twenty-five people signed up for the Scranton Red Riders game. Evan Padua threw out the first pitch on behalf of the UDC. Tag grant applications need to be in by 8/18.

#### New Business

- Approved the purchase of a table to see if members would like to go paperless.
- UDC is seeking nominations for the 35<sup>th</sup> Annual Awards Banquet by August 18

#### Other

It was reported that another Snakehead was caught just north of Narrowsburg.

#### UPPER DELAWARE SCENIC BYWAY-*Monthly Report*

The Committee held a scheduled meeting on July 24, 2023

**Call to Order:** Chairperson Lowe opened the meeting held at the Upper Delaware Council office in Narrowsburg and via Zoom to order at 7:00 p.m

**Treasurers Report** was given and accepted

#### Discussion items:

- Program Manager Activities-looking for outside funding to continue the position
- It was confirmed that the County support funds can be used toward the Program Manager's salary.
- NYS DOT Region 9 Projects Report was provided.

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- Website update provided.
- Butterfly grant was submitted and tabled for further discussion
- Callicoon Visitors Center update

**Next Meeting Date:** 4<sup>th</sup> Monday, August 28, 2023

**Adjourn:** meeting adjourned.

**Youth Commission:** Councilperson Grund

- The Cochecton Youth Commission is continuously adding to their activities. For more information contact Sue Rodriguez (845) 866-0853, or email: [s\\_rod79@frontiernet.net](mailto:s_rod79@frontiernet.net). Check out their Facebook page at *Cochecton Youth Commission*

**Lake Huntington Lake Association:** Councilperson Nober – Nothing to report

**DEPARTMENT HEADS:**

**SUPERVISOR:** Gary Maas

Bank Information:

Deposited \$	493.00	Judicial fees
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Deposited \$	402.08	Debit Card
Deposited \$	8,028.40	Town Clerk fees
Deposited \$	2,570.78	Tax Collector

Made transfers and deposits as needed.

CONTRACTUAL		\$ 4,000.00
Abstract #1	\$ 0.00	\$ 4,000.00
Abstract #2	\$ 1,300.41	\$ 2,699.59
Abstract #3	\$ 395.60	\$ 2,303.99
Abstract #4	\$ 187.00	\$ 2,116.99
Abstract #5	\$ 263.40	\$ 1,853.59
Abstract #6	\$ 50.00	\$ 1,803.60
Abstract #7	\$ 326.00	\$ 1,476.86
Abstract #8	\$ 206.40	\$ 1,270.46

Worked 98 hours

**HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT:** Kevin Esselman

Submitted a written report:

- Paving done
- Had a few repairs.
- Out patching and ditching
- Sent legal notice to Town Clerk for fuel bid Ad.
- Cleared several down trees

Worked 160 Hours.

Contractual balance is 3,300.00

Motion made by Councilperson Grund seconded by Councilperson Nober to allow Town Clerk to place ad in paper for upcoming Sand Bid. All Board members present voted in favor.

**TOWN CLERK:** Maryann Oumrim

I took care of the regular duties of the Town Clerk including:

- Prepared Abstract #8 for audit.
- Prepared Minutes for July 12<sup>th</sup> Meeting.

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- Put Legal notices in the paper
- Emails have been responded to and appropriately shared with Board Members.
- 4 trips to the bank to make deposits.
- CEO Report / deposit
- Dog – New 0 Licenses and 10 Renewals.
- Marriage License -0
- Monthly reports sent to Agriculture & Markets and DOH for marriage and death.
- Website Maintenance
- I worked a total of 94 hours in June
- **Contractual balance: \$1,649.23**

### **CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER:** James Crowley

Submitted a written report:

- Worked 80 hrs.
- mileage 199
- Permits issued 7
- C of C's 1
- Logging Permits
- Municipal search letters 10
- Plan Review Inspections 16
- Demo Permit 1
- Revenues \$1513.60
- Expenses \$350.09
- Contractual Balance: \$2719.49

The Town Board had some discussion regarding several properties which need permits for work that is being performed.

Jean from Summer community spoke on behalf of the community and Town Board offered to have a meeting with the Summer Community Board to ensure codes and upheld in the town.

### **SEWER OFFICER:** Michael Walter

Submitted a written report:

- Average flow of 35,399 gallons per day for month of July
- Obtained 99% C.B.O.D. and 99. % T.S.S. removal for July.
- Expenditures \$710.72
- Contractual Balance: \$14,788.28

Worked 87 hours.

### **TAX COLLECTOR:** Eileen Hennessy – not present

**TOWN ATTORNEY:** Robert Smith – Continued research for property owners of property which is deemed to be unsafe.

### **ASSESSOR:** Lorry King - not present Submitted report:

Old Business:

1. Field work continues.

New Business:

1. I will be attending mandatory classes on the following dates and will not be in the office.

August 18<sup>th</sup> , 2023 & August 23<sup>rd</sup> , 2023

July

1355.4 \$1,335.53

Total July \$0.00

Balance \$1,335.53

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**PLANNING BOARD CHAIR** Earl Bertsch – Not Present

**DOG CONTROL OFFICER:** Tamara DePaolo -Not Present

**HISTORIAN: Kristina** - Not Present

**TOWN BOARD REPORTS:**

**Councilperson Grund** - nothing currently

**Councilperson Nearing-** not present

**Councilperson Walter** - nothing currently

**Councilperson Nober** – nothing currently

**OLD BUSINESS:**

1. Roof for Old Town Hall
2. Sewer Roof Repairs
3. Defib Narcan Boxes – Still waiting for them to be available.
4. Otto Heib House

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Basketball Court

**PUBLIC COMMENT: None**

**MOTION** of Councilman Nober, seconded by Councilman Walter the following motion was to recess meeting to August 16<sup>th</sup> at 5:30pm Adjourned at Time 8:40 p.m. All board members voted in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Maryann Oumrim  
Town Clerk