

**Urbana Town Board Meeting
Regular Board Meeting
September 15, 2020**

The Urbana Town Board held its regular meeting on September 15, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. at 8014 Pleasant Valley Road, Bath, NY 14810

Present:	Edward P. Stull	Supervisor
	Jim Presley	Deputy Supervisor
	David Shaw	Councilman
	David Luppino	Councilman
	Mary Farmer	Councilwoman
	Deanna Tompkins	Town Clerk
	John Ryan	Attorney

Others Present: Nichole Dresser, Trevor J. Parke, Dave Oliver, Alan Carpenter, Steve Veley, DJ Morse, Bill Fries, Ed Wightman, Geoffrey Grimsman

Supervisor Stull call the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

On a motion made by Councilman Shaw, seconded by Deputy Supervisor Presley and carried, all voting Aye to approve the board minutes from August 18, 2020.

On a motion made by Councilwoman Farmer, seconded by Councilman Luppino and carried, all voting Aye to approve Abstract #9.

On a motion made by Deputy Supervisor Presley, seconded by Councilman Luppino and carried all voting Aye to accept the Department Reports.

Grants

Jean O'Connell from J. O'Connell & Associates, Inc. explained that there is a Hazzard Mitigation Grant available. There are two major flooding issues on Lower East Lake Road that need to be fixed. Jean also explained that there are other grants available and how it would be cost effective to re-hire her as a grant administrator instead of just hiring her to work on one grant.

The board would like to review the information from Jean O'Connell before a decision is made.

Old Business

Bridge and Pier Project Update

We still can't bond unless there are fixed prices. Saratoga would like to wait until November to go out to bid for the Bridge Project because they feel we would save money. Councilwoman Farmer would like better communication among the board about meetings with Saratoga.

Power Boat Racing

Pat Wright was present to discuss a Power Boat Racing Event to be held June 24-June 27, 2021.

The boat engines put out 90 decibels of sound and race about 120 mph. Pat Wright will meet with Barb Fries, Bill Fries, David Luppino, and Steven Veley to talk about safety issues with the boat race.

Gold Seal Update

On July 22, Attorney Ryan sent a letter to Jeremy Fields asking him to pay the \$15,000 in fines that were owed for Gold Seal. Attorney Ryan received a phone call from Jeremy Fields to see if we would negotiate the amount of the payment. Attorney Ryan directed him to contact the Town Supervisor, which he did not. Ten days ago, John Ryan received a check payable to the Town for \$10,000 from Jeremy Fields. Attorney Ryan acknowledged receipt of the check and told him that the additional \$5,000 still needs to be paid. Once it's paid, Attorney Ryan will prepare the release of the lien.

Dog Park Structures

On a motion made by Councilwoman Farmer, seconded by Councilman Luppino and carried, all voting Aye to give approval to the Dog Park Committee to build two structures at the dog park if they receive a building permit and get approval from the Highway Supervisor.

Goose Waste at Parks

Lifeguards are done for the season, but the docks still need to be cleaned. Supervisor Stull will ask the Highway Department if they will clean up the goose waste on the docks. Barb Fries will ask a lifeguard if they want to do an hourly rate job cleaning up goose waste on the docks.

Town Hall- Circulating Pump Leak

On a motion made by Deputy Supervisor Presley, seconded by Councilwoman Farmer and carried, all voting Aye to sign the contract from Frey and Campbell for the Circulating Pump and for the Service Agreement.

New Business

On a motion made Deputy Supervisor Presley, seconded by Councilman Shaw and carried, all voting Aye to approve the Records of Destruction Authorization.

Non-Exclusive Use of Champlin Beach

On a motion made by Deputy Supervisor Presley, seconded by Councilman Luppino and carried all voting Aye to approve use of Champlin Beach for Wedding on 10/3/2020 with a \$50 use fee.

Cameras

The Town researched buying cameras at Champlin Beach, Depot Park and Dog Park. We will not purchase cameras this year because the cost is \$15,000.

Historic Plaque at Depot Park

Trevor Park and Bob Kleckner along with Terry Bretherton began a Hammondspport Historic Marker program through the William J. Pomeroy Foundation. They were able to get a historic plaque for the Depot Park Building.

On a motion made Deputy Supervisor Presley, seconded by Councilman Luppino and carried, all voting Aye to install the historic plaque at the Depot Park Building.

Kwanza Hut

The Kwanza hut roof at the Town garage will cost \$27,000 to replace, it is repaired for now.

Solar Farm

Deputy Supervisor Presley was approached to see if the Town would be interested in putting at a 20-40 acre solar farm behind the highway garage. It would be 30 year lease, they would pay about \$1,000-\$1,200 an acre per year. We would receive approximately 1 million dollars over 30 years.

On a motion made by Councilwoman Farmer, seconded by Councilman Luppino and carried, all voting Aye for Deputy Supervisor Presley to investigate more details on the Solar Farm.

Resignation from Planning Board

On a motion made by Deputy Supervisor Presley, seconded by Council Luppino and carried, all voting Aye to accept Peter Swarhout's resignation from the planning board.

Public Input

Trevor Parke: As a Trustee of the Pleasant Valley Cemetery Trevor wanted to extend his gratitude to the Town and Highway for grinding down stumps at the Cemetery.

Geoffrey Grimsman: Would like to see lighting increased at Depot Park. Supervisor Stull said we can explore that.

Is there any official stance of the Town if there were any unrest in the area?

We would rely on State Police, Village Police and the Sheriff Department.

Constable Update

No Constable Update

Bathrooms at Depot

Councilwoman Farmer addressed the bathrooms at Depot. Since budget time is coming up, the board needs to start thinking about how we build a maintenance position.

On a motion made by Deputy Supervisor Presley, seconded by Councilman Shaw and carried, all voting Aye to adjourn the meeting at 8:09 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Deanna Tompkins
Town Clerk