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MINUTES
TOWN BOARD
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The Town of Manlius Town Board held a hybrid meeting with in-person attendees and virtual attendees. The meeting was live streamed on the Town Facebook page and the Town YouTube Channel. The recording of the meeting can be viewed here: <https://youtu.be/Ih9BYpkhLFE>

Supervisor Deer presided, and the following Board members present:

Sara Bollinger, Deputy Supervisor
Elaine Denton, Councilor
Heather Waters, Councilor
Katelyn M. Kriesel, Councilor
Alissa Italiano, Councilor
William Nicholson, Councilor

The following Town Officers were present:

Tim Frateschi, Attorney for the Town Debi Witzel, Deputy Town Clerk
Rob Cushing, Highway Superintendent

1. Attendees

In-Person Meeting Attendees that Signed the Attendance Sheet: Mike Friend, Manlius, John Tankalavage, Manlius. Doug Allen, Fayetteville. Scarlett Davidson, Kirkville. Amy Baxter, Manlius. Barb Henry, Fayetteville. Walter & Olga Stanton, Fayetteville. Joyce & Bruce Sizing, Fayetteville.

Virtual Meeting Attendees: Warren Linhart, Kathleen Motto, Joan Hartman, Marie Klossner, Janice DeFonda, J. Thomas Bassett, Pamela Page, Victoria Meguid, Schreiner Family, Police Chief Michael J. Crowell, Mary Clare.

2. The Pledge of Allegiance

Supervisor Deer, called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM. Councilor Kriesel led the Pledge of Allegiance. Supervisor Deer welcomed everyone and thanked all for attending.

3. Trash Update

Supervisor Deer stated he has spoken to Syracuse Haulers, and it was agreed that there would be a grace period for the next few months allowing people to switch out the 95-gallon bin they received with a 65-gallon bin at no cost. Supervisor Deer stated the town will begin a list of residents that would like to receive the smaller bin. Supervisor Deer stated when new people sign up for service, they will be able to pick the size bin they want.

4. Open Podium

Doug Allen, Spyglass stated his concern is with the size of the trash cans. Mr. Allen stated Supervisor Deer answered his concerns in his opening statement.

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Olga Stanton, Fayetteville asked if there could be a time where larger items could be put in the tote.

Scarlett Davidson, Kirkville spoke about how the 96-gallon bin is difficult to get down her 500-foot drive and is hoping the 65-gallon bin will work. Ms. Davidson stated if she opts out of the service it would be unfair if she is not reimbursed for the seven remaining months she paid for. Ms. Davidson stated she would like to see a better way of communicating with the residents. Ms. Davidson asked that in the future the Board plan ahead so the residents will have an expiration time to review their options.

Amy Baxter, Manlius asked why only the 95-gallon bins were handed out. Ms. Baxter stated they did not see anything from the Town advising clearly of the changes or dates. Ms. Baxter asked when the three-month clock would start ticking for the swap out. Ms. Baxter asked how these new changes will be communicated to the residents.

Barbara Henry, Fayetteville asked the Board to consider a way to communicate these kinds of changes to the community in a timelier manner.

Dick Walters asked if they would have 30-gallon bins available.

Pamela Page stated she had questions concerning her HOA and that Supervisor Deer has answered those questions.

Joyce Sizing asked what happens if the bins get damaged.

5. Set Date – Public Hearing – Local Law 2022-__ Video Conferencing

The Town Board considered a resolution to create a chapter in the Town Code that will authorize the public bodies in the Town to participate in meetings via video conferences from locations not accessible to the public so long as a quorum of the public body participates from locations where the public may be physically present and other conditions are met. The conditions are outlined in the “Town of Manlius Videoconferencing Policy and Guidelines”.

Councilor Denton made a motion, seconded by Councilor Italiano, to set a date for a public hearing on June 8th at 6:35 PM to consider Local Law 2022-__ “Town Board Policies” of the Town of Manlius to implement various Town Policies and procedures and procedures of the Town Public Bodies as amended.

Ayes: Supervisor Deer, Councilor Nicholson, Councilor Bollinger, Councilor Denton, Councilor Italiano, Councilor Waters, Councilor Kriesel.

Nays: 0

All in Favor.

Motion Carries.

6. Set Date – Public Hearing – Local Law 2022-__ Shed and Playscapes Building Permits

The Town Board considered a resolution to correct an error in the “Expiration Date” section of Local Law 2021-9 which set the law to expire in 6 months.

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Councilor Kriesel made a motion, seconded by Councilor Denton, to set a date for a public hearing on June 8th at 6:40 PM to consider Local Law 2022-___ To amend Chapter 155-44 as it relates to building Permits for Sheds and Making Technical Corrections Thereto.

Ayes: Supervisor Deer, Councilor Nicholson, Councilor Bollinger, Councilor Denton, Councilor Italiano, Councilor Waters, Councilor Kriesel.

Nays: 0 All in Favor. Motion Carries.

7. New York State Canal Corporation

Councilor Bollinger stated the Town did receive approval to purchase and install a kayak launch on the Erie Canal at Poolsbrook in collaboration with the State of New York and Madison County Old Erie Canal Working Group.

Councilor Bollinger made a motion, seconded by Councilor Waters, to authorize the Supervisor to sign the 2022 Manlius Infrastructure Grant Contract.

Ayes: Supervisor Deer, Councilor Nicholson, Councilor Bollinger, Councilor Denton, Councilor Italiano, Councilor Waters, Councilor Kriesel.

Nays: 0 All in Favor. Motion Carries.

8. Speed Reduction Request – Sweet Road

Supervisor Deer stated the Town did receive a speed reduction request from a resident for Sweet Road.

Councilor Bollinger made a motion, seconded by Councilor Kriesel, to authorize Town Clerk submit a TE-9 speed reduction request to the NYSDOT for their review.

Ayes: Supervisor Deer, Councilor Nicholson, Councilor Bollinger, Councilor Denton, Councilor Italiano, Councilor Waters, Councilor Kriesel.

Nays: 0 All in Favor. Motion Carries.

9. Letter of Support to the Village of Manlius

Councilor Nicholson stated the Stormwater Study Group has reviewed conditions along Limestone Creek that runs between the Village and Town. Councilor Nicholson stated that the Town will be supportive and will be partnered with the Village of Manlius in efforts to secure technical assistance and funding from FEMA.

Councilor Nicholson made a motion, seconded by Councilor Bollinger, to authorize the Supervisor to sign the letter of support to the Village of Manlius related to the Village of Manlius efforts to secure technical assistance and funding from FEMA.

Ayes: Supervisor Deer, Councilor Nicholson, Councilor Bollinger, Councilor Denton, Councilor Italiano, Councilor Waters, Councilor Kriesel.

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Nayes: 0 All in Favor. Motion Carries.

10. Highway Superintendent

Superintendent Cushing stated that Highway Secretary Janet Vollmer will be retiring in June 2022. Superintendent Cushing stated he and Town Manager Oot have been interviewing for her replacement and have selected Monica Van Auken.

Councilor Bollinger made a motion, seconded by Councilor Waters, to hire Monica Van Auken to the position of Secretary to the Highway Superintendent at the annual salary of \$40,000.

Ayes: Supervisor Deer, Councilor Nicholson, Councilor Bollinger, Councilor Denton, Councilor Italiano, Councilor Waters, Councilor Kriesel

Nayes: 0 All in Favor. Motion Carries.

Councilor Bollinger spoke about looking at systems and cost of doing informational mailings to residents.

Councilor Kriesel stated that through the Clean Energy Communities that is a NYSERDA program the Town has been awarded two grants for \$5,000 each. Councilor Kriesel stated that NYSERDA would like to know what the grants will be used for before they can be awarded.

Councilor Kriesel made a motion, seconded by Councilor Denton, to authorize the Supervisor and Sustainable Manlius Committee to use up to \$10,000 total of the grant for the purchase of LED Lighting, with the remainder of the money going toward the purchase of an electric vehicle for the Planning & Development Department.

Ayes: Supervisor Deer, Councilor Nicholson, Councilor Bollinger, Councilor Denton, Councilor Italiano, Councilor Waters, Councilor Kriesel.

Nayes: 0 All in Favor. Motion Carries.

11. Supervisor

Councilor Denton made a motion, seconded by Councilor Waters, to approve the April 2022 Supervisor's report.

Ayes: Supervisor Deer, Councilor Nicholson, Councilor Bollinger, Councilor Denton, Councilor Italiano, Councilor Waters, Councilor Kriesel

Nayes: 0 All in Favor. Motion Carries.

12. Approval of Minutes – May 11, 2022

Councilor Bollinger made a motion, seconded by Councilor Italiano, to approve the minutes of May 11, 2022, as submitted by Town Clerk Weber.

Ayes: Supervisor Deer, Councilor Nicholson, Councilor Bollinger, Councilor Denton, Councilor Italiano, Councilor Waters, Councilor Kriesel

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Nayes: 0

All in Favor.

Motion Carries.

13. Approval of Abstract # 10

Councilor Bollinger made a motion, seconded by Councilor Nicholson, to approve Abstract # 10 in the amount of \$ 461,719.31 as submitted by Town Clerk Weber.

TOWN OF MANLIUS		
Fund Summary		
Abstract # 10 - 2022		
CODE	FUND	TOTALS
A	General Fund Townwide	\$139,326.07
B	General Fund Town	\$8,624.53
CM1	Police Trust	\$3,477.59
CM3	Consolidated Drainage # 3	\$820.68
DA	Highway Fund Townwide	\$8,161.06
DB	Highway Fund Town	\$39,979.84
SR1	Manlius Trash District	\$199,943.00
SR2	Manlius Res Brush District	\$25,151.33

Ayes: Supervisor Deer, Councilor Nicholson, Councilor Bollinger, Councilor Denton, Councilor Italiano, Councilor Waters, Councilor Kriesel

Nayes: 0

All in Favor.

Motion Carries.

Councilor Waters stated that Pride Month starts on June 1, 2022, with raising of the Pride Flag at Town Hall.

Town Board Workshop will be held on June 8, 2022, at 5:00 PM with Abundant Solar.

Councilor Denton made a motion, seconded by Councilor Italiano, to set the date for the Town Board Workshop for June 8, 2022, at 5:00 PM with Abundant Solar.

Ayes: Supervisor Deer, Councilor Nicholson, Councilor Bollinger, Councilor Denton, Councilor Italiano, Councilor Waters, Councilor Kriesel

Nayes: 0

All in Favor.

Motion Carries.

14. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board, upon motion duly made by Councilor Kriesel and seconded by Councilor Denton the Board voted unanimously to adjourn regular session at 7:40PM.

Ayes: Supervisor Deer, Councilor Nicholson, Councilor Bollinger, Councilor Denton, Councilor Italiano, Councilor Waters, Councilor Kriesel

Nayes: 0

All in Favor.

Motion Carries.

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Respectfully Submitted by:

Debi Witzel
Deputy Town Clerk