

REGULAR MEETING OF THE VETERAN TOWN BOARD
September 16, 2021

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call:

Lapierre
Henke
DeCicco
Lewis
Winkky

Others present:

E. Derry K. Ripley
M. DeMichele L. O'Brien
S. Whitson B. Roemmelt
C. Rhodes C. Edwards
T. Edwards J. Groff

Audit of Bills:

Motion was made by DeCicco seconded by Lapierre to authorize the payment of the bills with exception of voucher #280 DA fund until explanation is received concerning total:

"A" Fund: \$19,689.05

"B" Fund: \$816.98

"DA" Fund: \$24,637.59

"DB" FUND: \$13,752.32

AYES: Lapierre, Henke, DeCicco, Lewis, Winkky

NAYS: None

Minutes:

Motion was made by Lewis seconded by Winkky to accept the minutes of 8/19/21.

AYES: Lapierre, Lewis, Winkky

Abstain: Henke, DeCicco

NAYS: None

Motion was made by Lewis seconded by Lapierre to accept the minutes of 9/7

AYES: Lapierre, Henke, DeCicco, Lewis

Abstain: Winkky

NAYS: None

Petitions and Communications:

Letter from Sprague Insurance review for 2022 policy

Planning Board/ Zoning Board of Appeals:

Met Sept. 13

Held public hearing on solar project in Sullivanville

Storage units waiting to see why they were a no show

ZBA: Nothing

Code Enforcement Officers Report:

Rice Rd solar 2/3 Schuyler county 1/3 in Veteran

VRBO interest

Many open court cases

Motion was made by Winkky seconded by DeCicco to accept the report as given.

AYES: Henke, DeCicco, Lapierre, Lewis, Winkky
NAYS: None

Green Committee/Stormwater Committee:

Webinar kick off for the Heat Smart
Still working with Jimmie Jo and Jividen's on Briarcliff

Supervisors Report:

Financial report
Dog control report
Appraisal for Rt. 13 property
Motion was made by Lewis seconded by DeCicco to accept the report as given.
AYES: DeCicco, Lapierre, Henke, Lewis, Winkky
NAYS: None

Clerks Report:

Clerk stated that the internet is now working better and she is going to attempt to sell sporting licenses again.
Motion was made by Winkky seconded by Henke to accept the report as submitted.
AYES: Lapierre, Henke, DeCicco, Lewis, Winkky
NAYS: none

Highway Superintendents Report:

Stoned and oiled Lower Middle Rd, Kimble Rd, Church Hill, Parrott Rd, Roemmelt Rd, and Lintal Dr. We are ditching Brickhouse Rd. now.

Truck 5, 4 had new brakes all the way around. Truck 5 had new springs both sides.

No overtime

Towns that helped us were Horseheads 3 trucks, Catlin 3 trucks Erin 2 trucks

Full crew worked 10 hours in Village of Millport cutting trees, total hrs. 40 given

Motion was made by DeCicco seconded by Lapierre to accept the report as submitted.
AYES: Henke, DeCicco, Lapierre, Lewis, Winkky
NAYS: None

Public Comment:

Liane O'Brien suggested advertising the land for sale on craigslist and Facebook marketplace

Curt Rhodes asked about Heat Smart schedule

Ed Derry suggested do live auction for the land

Lou DeCicco ARPA funds to be discussed @ 5:30 9/28/21

Resolutions and Motions:

**Resolution No.53/2021
Relative to Land for Sale on NYS RT. 13**

Motion by: Lewis
Seconded by: DeCicco

Resolved that whereas the Town of Veteran owns property in the Town of Veteran located on NYS Route 13 and that property is not critical for the Town’s needs. Now therefore be it resolved that Town Supervisor William Winkky is authorized and directed to make the public aware that the Town is interested in entertaining offers of purchase for that real property for a period of 30 days. Offers should be submitted in writing to the town clerk and Supervisor Winkky is authorized to use the most expeditious methods to make the public aware the availability of purchase of the property such as Town of Veteran Web Site, posting electronic signs at the Town Hall posting electronic media signs at the site and other methods that he feels are reasonable and appropriate to make the public aware of availability.

AYES: DeCicco, Henke, Lapierre, Lewis, Winkky
NAYS: None

**Resolution No.54/21
Relative to Keil Bros. c/o Dollar General**

Motion by: DeCicco
Seconded by: Winkky

WHEREAS, a Petition and Notice to Review the Assessment for taxation by the Town of Veteran for the years 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020 and 2021 of the real estate of Keil Bros. C/O Dollar General #15843, (“the Petitioners”) in the Town of Veteran, County of Chemung, State of New York, Tax Map No. 28.00-1-12.12, was duly served upon the Town of Veteran (the “Respondent”), and WHEREAS, said Respondent, with the assistance of the Town Attorney, John G. Groff, having duly made and filed its Answer to said Petition, and WHEREAS, the Respondent and said property owners are prepared to enter a consent judgment for the compromise and settlement of their differences in summary as follows:

Tax Year	Current Assessment	Amount of Reduction	Revised Assessment
2017	\$695,200	\$0	\$695,200
2018	\$1,000,000	\$0	\$1,000,000
2019	\$1,000,000	\$0	\$1,000,000
2020	\$1,000,000	\$0	\$1,000,000
2021	\$1,000,000	\$50,000	\$950,000
2022	\$1,000,000	\$50,000	\$950,000
2023	\$1,000,000	\$50,000	\$950,000
2024	\$1,000,000	\$50,000	\$950,000

and, that Petitioner is entitled to a no refund for taxes already paid, and

WHEREAS, it appears to be in the best interests of the Town of Veteran to settle said matters as recommended by Town Attorney John G. Groff and Assessor Sally Whitson without further attendant

legal and appraisal costs relating to said matters,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by Town Board of the Town of Veteran in regular session duly convened as follows:

1. The Assessor of the Town of Veteran be and she hereby is authorized to enter into a stipulation of settlement of said pending proceeding on the terms set forth herein.
2. The Town Attorney of the Town of Veteran be and he hereby is authorized to consent to entry of appropriate court orders to accomplish said settlement and upon entry of the court orders directing the establishment of assessments for years as aforesaid to execute stipulations of discontinuance of the said proceedings.
3. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

AYES: DeCicco, Lapierre, Henke, Lewis, Winkky

NAYS: None

Old Business:

Odessa fire contract: getting close to finishing

The board will reconvene Oct 12 @ 5:30 to set public hearing for contract.

Motion was made by DeCicco seconded by Henke to continue this meeting until Sept. 28 @ 5:30 pm

All in favor

Patricia R. Manwaring

Clerk

**CONTINUATION OF SEPTEMBER 16, 2021 MEETING
SEPTEMBER 28, 2021 5:30PM**

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Lapierre, Henke, DeCicco, Lewis, Winkky

Others: C. Rhodes

Work was done on the 2022 budget.

Much discussion was held on the ARPA funds.

Meeting was continued to October 12, 2021 6pm

**CONTINUATION OF September 28, 2021 MEETING
October 12, 2021 6pm**

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Henke, DeCicco, Lewis, Winkky

Absent: Lapierre

Motion was made by Winkky seconded by Lewis to set a public hearing October 21, 2021 at 6:50pm concerning the 2022 budget.

AYES: Henke, DeCicco, Lewis, Winkky

NAYS: None

Motion by Lewis seconded by Henke

The Town Board does hereby set a public hearing:

Section 1. The Town Board does hereby schedule a Public Hearing on October 21, 2021 at 6:55pm at 4049 Watkins Rd., Millport, NY on the proposed fire protection agreement with Town and County Fire Department for 2022 and 2023.

Section 2. The Town Clerk is hereby authorized, empowered and directed to:

(a) Immediately publish a Legal Notice as to said Public Hearing in the Star Gazette, and post a copy thereof on the Town Clerk's sign board.

Section 3. Pursuant to Part 617 of the implementing regulations to Article 8 (State Environmental Quality Review Act) ("SEQR"), the Town Board shall determine whether the agreement would have a significant effect upon the environment.

Section 4. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

AYES: DeCicco, Henke, Lewis, Winkky

NAYS: None

Motion was made by Winkky seconded by Lewis

The Town Board does hereby set a public hearing:

Section 1. The Town Board does hereby schedule a Public Hearing on October 21, 2021 at 6:55pm at 4049 Watkins Rd., Millport, NY on the proposed fire protection agreement with Odessa Fire Department.

Section 2. The Town Clerk is hereby authorized, empowered and directed to:

(a) Immediately publish a Legal Notice as to Public Hearing in the Star Gazette and post a copy thereof on the Town Clerk's sign board.

Section 3. Pursuant to part 617 of the implementing regulations to Article 8 (State Environmental Quality Review Act) (SEQR) the Town Board shall determine whether the agreement would have a significant effect upon the environment.

Section 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

AYES: Henke, DeCicco, Lewis, Winkky

NAYS: None

Motion was made by Lewis seconded by Winkky to adjourn at 6:10pm

All in favor

Patricia R. Manwaring

