

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE VETERAN TOWN BOARD**  
**August 11, 2022**

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Roll Call:**

**Board Members Present-**

Lapierre  
Henke  
Winkky  
O'Brien  
Lewis

**Others:**

W. Wolfe	V. Azzarelli
C. Rhodes	J. Groff
M. Margeson	J. Roman
J. Hessel	K. Henry

Joe Roman was present to explain what the Chemung County IDA/STEG purpose is. What can the IDA do for rural communities like Town of Veteran etc.

**Audit the Bills:**

Motion was made by Henke seconded by Winkky to authorize payment of bills with the totals that follow:

"A" Fund: \$13,610.53

"B" Fund: \$237.86

"SF-1" Fund: \$39,841.49

"DA" Fund: \$6,040.95

"DB" Fund: \$244,789.30

AYES: Lapierre, Henke, Winkky, O'Brien, Lewis

NAYS: none

**Minutes:**

Motion was made by Lewis seconded by Lapierre to accept the minutes of 7/14/22 as submitted.

AYES: Winkky, O'Brien, Lapierre, Lewis

Abstain: Henke (lack of attendance)

NAYS: None

**Petitions and Communications:**

- \$500 request from Environmental Emergency
- Unsolicited website developer
- Letter from Nicole Watts concerning upcoming meeting
- Historians: would like to donate surplus micro film reader and 12 rolls of micro film ( received from Chemung County)
- Letter form Board of Elections the estimated amount for 2023 elections
- Rebate check from Electric and Power in the amount of \$26.56
- Chemung county Sheriff monthly report
- Court case information from Horseheads Town court

**Planning Board/ Zoning Board of Appeals:**

No representative was present

Did not meet last 2 months

Getting new member(s) appointed

ZBA chairman submitted a letter they did not meet

Much discussion was held about the solar project that is pending. Mark Margeson was present to speak about such subject.

**Code Enforcement Officers Report:**

Catherine Street case is still pending

Motion was made by Lewis seconded by Henke to accept the report as submitted.

AYES: Winkky, O'Brien, Lapierre, Henke, Lewis

NAYS: None

**Green Committee/ Stormwater Committee:**

- Met August 9
- Clean Energy attended
- Benchmark campaign
- Open house later
- Putting something together for website and Facebook page.

**Supervisors Report:**

- **Teamsters negotiation** time
- Chemung County Soil & Water review contract up 25% total \$4125
- Town & Country Fire **contract negotiation**
- Appointment of Code Enforcement officer
- Millport Fire monthly report
- Dog control monthly report
- Financial balance
- Signed bucket truck agreement

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

AYES: O'Brien, Lapierre, Henke, Winkky, Lewis

**Clerks Report:**

- Clerk mentioned that she was told that the Sullivanville Methodist church will be closing in 2-3 months and the reason for the information is that is a Town polling place.

Motion was made by Winkky seconded by Henke to accept the report.

AYES: Lapierre, Henke, Winkky, O'Brien, Lewis

NAYS: None

**Highway Superintendents Report:**

- Paved Benjamin Rd.
- Monday slurry sealing golf course area
- Aug. 22 paving Sullivanville Rd. area
- New tractor ready Wednesday
- Can't find a pickup truck
- Patched Roemmelt Rd. Put driveway pipe on Beardsley Hollow Rd. Cleaning ditches on Catherine St.
- Urea sensor fell off truck #6, fixed it. Oil pan is leaking on Ford 550.
- 4 hours overtime
- Helped Town of Chemung for 2 days. Helped Town of Erin for 3 days. Helped the county for 2 days.
- Helped Town of Catlin for 1 day and helped Town of Big Flats 2 days.

Motion was made by Lewis seconded by Lapierre to accept the report.

AYES: Henke, Winkky, O'Brien, Lapierre, Lewis

NAYS None

**Public Comment:**

- Supervisor to verbally introduce Rules of Procedure prior to comments
- Lawana Morse thanked everyone for the votes in the primary as she is running for legislator.
- J Hessel introduced himself as he is running for county legislator

**Resolutions and Motions:**

- There were no comments to be moved to new business

**Resolution No.60/22  
Relative to Planning Board Appointment**

Motion by; Lapierre

Seconded by: Henke

Motion was made to appoint Winston Wolf as member of the planning board. Term to expire 12/31/2026.

AYES: Winkky, O'Brien, Lapierre, Henke, Lewis

NAYS: None

**Resolution No.61/22  
Relative to Teamsters Negotiations Committee**

Motion by: Lewis

Seconded by: Winkky

Whereas, the Teamsters have notified the Town of Veteran that they seek to engage in collective bargaining negotiations for a successor for collective bargaining agreement and as soon as practical and Whereas, it has come upon this board to establish a committee to represent the town as a selective bargaining negotiations.

Noe Therefore Be It Resolved, that the committee shall be comprised of Supervisor Lewis and Councilperson Henke as well as Attorney John Groff effective immediately.

AYES: O'Brien, Lapierre, Henke, Winkky, Lewis

NAYS: None

**Resolution No.62/22  
Relative to Committee for New Bookkeeper**

Motion by: Lewis

Seconded by: Henke

Whereas, Angie Li has expressed an intent to retire from the Town of Veteran in her capacity as bookkeeper and such resignation is evident.

Now Therefore Be It Resolved, the committee to do a search for a replacement shall be comprised of Supervisor Lewis and Councilperson Winkky and Angie Li was authorized and directed to engage in a search for an appropriate candidate for this boards review and consideration as soon as practical.

AYES: Lapierre, Henke, Winkky, O'Brien, Lewis

NAYS: None

**Resolution No.63/22**  
**Relative to Authorize Increase for Soil & Water**

Motion by: Lewis

Seconded by: Lapierre

Supervisor Lewis is hereby authorized and directed to respond to a request for Chemung County Soil & Water Conservation District for the interest of the Town of Veteran to continue in the countywide stream program.

AYES: Henke, Winkky, O'Brien, Lapierre, Lewis

NAYS: None

**Resolution No.64/22**  
**Relative to Committee formed for talks with Town & Country Fire Dept.**

Motion by: Henke

Seconded by: Lewis

Whereas, the fire protection agreement with Town & Country Fire Department for fire protection District #3 expires January 1, 2023 and

Whereas, Town and Country Fire Department has expressed a desire enter into contract negotiations with the Town of Veteran for a successor for the agreement of one year.

Now Therefore Be It Resolved, that Supervisor Lewis and Councilperson Henke are authorized and directed to act as committee on behalf of the Town and instructed to engage in negotiations as soon as practical.

AYES: O'Brien, Lapierre, Henke, Winkky, Lewis

NAYS: None

**Resolution No.65/22**  
**Relative to Surplus Equipment**

Motion by: Winkky

Seconded by: Lewis

Whereas, the Town of Veteran has a policy regarding disposal of property deemed surplus the Town has a micro film reader and film which was used solely by the Town of Veteran Historians as such has stated it no longer has a use and

Whereas, town staff have indicated it has no use for same and has recommended that the item be declared surplus.

Now Therefore Be It Resolved that the above items be declared surplus and have nominable value if any and

Be It Further Resolved, that Supervisor David Lewis is authorized to dispose of same to give to Chemung County Library District and if does not accept such items at the Supervisors digression.

AYES: Lapierre, Henke, Winkky, O'Brien, Lewis

NAYS: None

**Old Business:**

- Website grant application: no word on community grant  
Went to Village of Horseheads to discuss what they have.

- JGK Associates: discussion

**New Business:**

Motion was made by Lewis seconded by O'Brien to set a public hearing for September 8, 2022 at 6:45pm for the purpose of Local Law NYS Uniform Fire Prevention and Building Code and Energy Code.

AYES: Lapierre, Henke, Winkky, O'Brien, Lewis

NAYS: None

Motion was made by Lewis seconded by Henke to set a public hearing for September 8, 2022 at 6:50pm for the purpose of Local Law Property Maintenance.

AYES: Henke, Winkky, O'Brien, Lapierre, Lewis

NAYS: None

Motion was made by Henke seconded by Winkky to set a public hearing for September 8, 2022 at 6:55pm for the purpose of local Law Unsafe Buildings.

AYES: Winkky, O'Brien, Lapierre, Henke, Lewis

NAYS: None

Motion was made by Lewis seconded by O'Brien to table discussion concerning Appearance Tickets until the September meeting.

AYES: O'Brien, Lapierre, Henke, Winkky, Lewis

NAYS: None

Discussion was held about the Town of Veteran Bicentennial in 2023. Kim Henry from Southport was present to talk about the celebration she is involved with for Town of Southport Bicentennial.

Discussion was held about Supervisor Lewis speaking to Andy Avery concerning the soliciting road survey consultants.

Motion was made by Lapierre seconded by Winkky to adjourn at 9:16pm

All in favor

Patricia R. Manwaring

Clerk