Town of Genesee Little Genesee, NY 14754 Regular Board Meeting Held @ Town Highway Barns February 21,2024

**ATTENDENCE**: Supervisor Alexander Smith, Councilmen Loren E. Miller, Councilman Colleen Estabrook, Councilmen Jodi Adams, Highway Superintendent Benjamin Reynolds; Town Clerk Rhonda Faulkner, Deputy Town Clerk Bonita Brunner; Assessor Carol Palidar, Assessor Karen Reynolds

**Absent:** Councilperson Alyn Holcomb

**Town Residents:** Peggy Cowell, Paul Geschwender, Greg Zegers, John Wilber, Christy DeArmitt

This meeting was brought to order by Supervisor Smith at 7:00 p.m.

## **Floor Permission:**

Paul Geschwender was asking about the weight limit on Willow Brook Road. He is concerned that logging companies are taking logs out when the road is not frozen, and not obeying the weight limits on the road. Mr. Geschwender ask Highway Superintendent Reynolds it the road would be repaired this year, Superintendent said the road would be patched this year. Carol Palidar wanted to know what the new owner of the Coliseum plans are. She stated they are bringing in boats, and cars, also stated that the new owner has the apartment rented out. She and Christy DeArmitt and John Wilber also stated they do not want to see it turned into a junkyard. Supervisor Smith stated he would reach out to MACE.

#### **REPORTS**

• Supervisor's Report for January 2024 was reviewed by the Board.

Town Clerk presented the following reports:

- Clerk's Report for the month of January 2024 shows \$237.00 collected. \$218.00 was turned over to the Town Supervisor for the General Fund; \$19.00 was sent to NYS Ag and Markets for dog licenses.
- Petty Cash Report for January 2024 indicates that \$89.89 was available.
- The Clerk e-mailed the January 2024 minutes to the Town Board for review.
- Tax Collector Report for January 2024 indicated 49.7% of the total Warrant was collected.

Town Justice Report

• Review of Court Fines collected during January 2024 totaled \$268.00.

## Code Enforcement MACE Report

 MACE visited two sites where construction has been begun without building permits on Sanford Hollow Road., mailed order to remedy to Dfuelacha Begangacha on Low Street, also did a hole depth inspection on Tanner, and did property maintenance on Well Road,

Motion made by CP Adams and 2<sup>nd</sup> by CP Miller to accept all reports as submitted. Ayes all. Motion carried.

#### **COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS & REPORTS**

Buildings & Repairs – Holcomb and Smith

• Heater at the Town Hall was repaired in January.

Highway Department- Holcomb and Miller

• Highway Superintendent Reynolds got an Estimate on Highway Truck to get it fixed so it will pass inspection. Supervisor Smith wants the Highway Department to get an estimate form FleetPride in Portville.

Park – Adams and Miller.

Councilman Adams is working on Community Assessment.

Cemeteries – Holcomb and Estabrook.

Grants – Smith and Adams.

Code Enforcement –Holcomb and Miller

Audit Committee – Estabrook

### **OLD BUSINESS**

Resolution #2024-1 Approval of Union Contract.

# RESOLUTION TO APPROVE COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT WITH TEAMSTERS LOCAL UNION #264 AND NYS TEAMSTERS COUNCIL HEALTH AND HOSPITAL FUND

WHEREAS, the Town of Genesee has entered into negotiations with the Teamsters Local Union #264 covering the employees of the Highway Department;

WHEREAS, a Collective Bargaining Agreement covering the period January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2026 has been presented by the Union;

IN ADDITION, rates for the Teamsters Council Health and Hospital Fund for health insurance for said employees has been provided by the Union;

RESOLVED, the Town Board approves the Collective Bargaining Agreement and the new rates for the health insurance policy covering this same time frame;

RESOLVED, the Town Supervisor is authorized to sign any documents necessary for the implementation of these agreements.

**ADOPTED** this 20<sup>th</sup> day of <u>February 2024</u> at a meeting of the Town Board.

Motion made by CP Estabrook, 2<sup>nd</sup> by CP Miller that this resolution be approved.

Roll Call Vote: Alex Smith Aye

CP Miller Aye
CP Estabrook Aye
CP Adams Aye

Resolution adopted.

## **Appointment to Board of Assessment Review**

The appointment to Paul Majot on the Board of Assessment Review ended as of September 30, 2023. Supervisor Smith made a motion that Mr. Majot be reappointed to this position,  $2^{nd}$  by CP Miller. Ayes all. Motion passed. Town Clerk will notify the Office of Real Property of this appointment.

## Resolution #2024-3 – Approval of 284 Agreement for 2024 Budget Year.

Highway Superintendent Reynolds presented the 284 Agreement for Funding Year 2024. CP Miller made a motion, 2<sup>nd</sup> by CP Adams, to approve this resolution

## RESOLUTION APPROVING AGREEMENT FOR THE EXPENDITURE OF 2024 HIGHWAY MONIES

**WHEREAS,** NYS Highway Law, Section 284, requires the Genesee Town Board and the Highway Superintendent to execute a written and signed agreement that sets forth the use of monies, including CHIPS money, levied and collected for highway repairs and improvements,

WHEREAS, a tentative agreement has been prepared by the Town of Genesee Supervisor and the Highway Superintendent regarding expenditures of 2024 monies as attached.

RESOLVED, the Genesee Town Board has reviewed this agreement and, by signing such agreement, authorize the expenditures of monies as listed. This agreement can be amended by the Town Board as necessary after request by the Highway Superintendent..

Roll Call Vote: Alex Smith Aye

CP Miller Aye
CP Estabrook Aye
CP Adams Aye.

Resolution adopted.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

## Resolution #2024-5 Williamson Law Contract for Town Clerk Plus RESOLUTION APPROVING THE ANNUAL SOFTWARE SUPPORT

## CONTRACT WITH WILLIAMSON LAW BOOK COMPANY

WHEREAS, the Town Clerk for the Town of Genesee utilizes the Town Clerk Plus Software program from the Williamson Law Book Company for collection tracking;

WHEREAS, the Town Clerk wishes to renew the annual support contract for this service;

THEREFORE, the Town Board of the Town of Genesee hereby approves this agreement to cover the year of 2024 and by this resolution authorizes the Town Supervisor to execute the necessary paperwork for this agreement.

CP Estabrook made a motion, 2<sup>nd</sup> by CP Miller to approve this resolution.

Roll Call Vote: Alex Smith Aye

CP Miller Aye CP Estabrook Aye CP Adams Aye

Resolution was approved. Clerk will forward the signed agreement as necessary.

## **Applications for Dog Control Officer**

Several people are interested in the Dog Control Officer position. After review it was determined that Supervisor Smith would contact Dennis Peters regarding his interest in the appointment.

## **Snow Plowing Proposal**

Scott Fuller has submitted a proposal for 2024-2025 regarding plowing the cemeteries as needed. This would be as necessary for burials and would be \$50 per plow. After discussion Supervisor Smith made a motion that this proposal be accepted, 2<sup>nd</sup> by CP Miller. Ayes all. Motion approved.

## **NYS Open Space Plan Update**

Discussion regarding the information from the Planning Department about the Open Space Plan being considered in Belmont. Board Members and residents were encouraged to complete the survey.

## **Brownfield Planning Grants**

Information provided about the Brownfield Grants available under consideration in Belmont.

Armstrong Business - Phones for Town & Internet @ Highway Barns Supervisor Smith has obtained information from Armstrong Business about changing the phone system at both the Town Hall and Barns. This would replace the present SoundCurve at the Town Hall and Verizon at the Barns. He also obtained prices for adding internet service to the Barns. Both changes would save the town money from the present service. CP Miller made a motion that we make these changes, 2<sup>nd</sup> by CP Estabrook. Alex will contact Armstrong to make these arrangements.

## **Service Agreement for Generator @ Town Barns**

Electric Solution of Roulette, Pa. presented a service agreement for the generator at the Town barns. This would cost \$333.90 a year and would

provide oil changes, etc. once a year. After discussion it was determined that this agreement would not be necessary.

## **Executive Session**

Supervisor Smith made a motion to go into Executive Session, 2<sup>nd</sup> by CP Estabrook regarding payroll.

## **PAYING OF BILLS**

\_Abstracts totaling \$55,733.94 were reviewed for paying the Town bills as follows:

Abstract	Voucher Nos.	Abstract Amount
General Fund	11 – 32	\$ 34,620.88
Highway Fund	3 - 16	\$ 21,113.06

Motion made by CP Estabrook, 2<sup>nd</sup> by CP Adams, to approve the paying of these bills. Ayes all.

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by CP Miller, 2<sup>nd</sup> by CP Adams. Ayes all. Meeting was adjourned at 9 pm.

Rhonda Faulkner, Town Clerk Dated: February 27, 2024