

**Town of Genesee  
Little Genesee, NY 14754  
Regular Board Meeting  
March 21, 2023**

**ATTENDANCE:** Supervisor Alexander Smith, Councilmen Loren E. Miller, Councilperson Colleen Estabrook; Highway Superintendent Benjamin Reynolds; Town Clerk Rhonda Faulkner, Deputy Town Clerk Bonita Brunner,  
Absent: Councilman Alyn Holcomb

Town Residents: Peggy Cowell, Larry Adams, Jodi Adams, Carl Taylor, Barbara Taylor, Bill Dibble, Rei Smith.

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

**Floor Permission:**

Town resident Carl Taylor wanted to find out who to contact about neighbors not moving their lawns. He was given the phone number for Code Enforcement. Town residents Jody and Larry Adams asked about the new bus stop location and if reflective decals could be added to the sides so that it would be more visible to traffic. Also, Mrs. Adams stated she may be interested in the vacant board position. Resident Peggy Cowell asked about the street light outside the Coliseum that was requested last month. Supervisor Smith advised he had contacted RG&E and they had no knowledge of said street light. He will contact them again and request that one be installed.

**REPORTS**

- Supervisor's Reports for February 2023 was reviewed by the Board.

Town Clerk presented the following reports:

- Clerk's Report for the month of February 2023 shows \$88.00 collected. \$79.00 was turned over to the Town Supervisor for the General Fund; \$9.00 was sent to NYS Ag and Markets for dog licenses.
- Petty Cash Report for February 2023 indicates that \$100 was available.
- The Clerk e-mailed the February minutes to the Town Board for review.
- Report for Tax collections for January and February were submitted. A total of \$1,271,754.00 was collected. \$773,487 was paid to the Town Supervisor. Any additional monies will be submitted to the County Treasurer as collected.

Town Justice Report February 2023:

- Review of Court Fines collected during February 2023 totaled \$168.00.

Code Enforcement MACE Report

- MACE submitted a Report for the month February, indicating five permits were issued. The report also stated the Coliseum owned by Megan Neamon is being sold to Allen Hoar. Mr. Hoar will be cleaning the exterior of the property area first but intends to "rehab the structure." Request made that any reports from MACE show a property address for any building permits issued. .

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

## **COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS & REPORTS**

Buildings & Repairs – Holcomb and Smith

- Discussion about the door needed in the Clerk’s office for additional safety. Supervisor Smith states he will be contacting ASP Glass about this. Also, CP Miller asked about the possibility of getting a safe for the Clerk’s office. The Board approved Supervisor to look into this to obtain prices.

Highway Department- Holcomb and Miller

- Clerk advised that the town has received all the FEMA money. Highway Superintendent advised that FEMA did approve an extension of one year (to April 2024) for completion of these projects.
- Supervisor Smith requested that the mailbox outside the Clerk’s door be reinstalled by the Highway Department.

Park – Estabrook and Miller

Highway Superintendent Reynolds stated he will remove the garbage can from the park.

Cemeteries – Holcomb and Estabrook

Grants – Smith and Estabrook

Code Enforcement –Holcomb and Miller

Audit Committee – Estabrook

## **OLD BUSINESS**

Clerk advised that the formal approval was received for the extension of completion on the Salt Barn. It is imperative that this project is completed and invoiced within the next six months to insure reimbursement from the Grant. Superintendent Reynolds was advised of this.

**RESOLUTION NO: 2023-3**

### **RESOLUTION APPROVING AGREEMENT FOR THE EXPENDITURE OF 2023 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 2023 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.

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

Roll call Vote taken as follows:

CP Miller           Aye  
CP Estabrook      Aye  
Supervisor Smith   Aye

**Resolution passed.**

**Local Law 2023-1- Providing for Updated NYS Uniform Fire Prevention & Building Code**

After review by the Board there were questions regarding some of the requirements to this Local Law. Supervisor Smith will reach out to MACE to answer these questions before the April meeting. .

**Making the Highway Superintendent position appointed**

Discussion about changing this position from elected to appointed. Supervisor Smith presented some pros and cons on this. Supervisor Smith also stated that Superintendent Reynolds was doing a great job but this might be a consideration for the future. This would require a public hearing to pass a local law and a mandatory referendum to be added for vote by town residents.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Rei Smith Smith, Library Director updated the Board on the \$50,000 Grant, and how the money would be spent. The following resolution was presented as part of the application.

**RESOLUTION NO: 2023-4**

**MUNICIPAL ENDORSEMENT FOR GENESEE LIBRARY  
TO APPLY FOR NYS PARKS, RECREATION AND HISTORIC  
PRESERVATION GRANT**

**WHEREAS**, the Genesee Library is applying to the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation (OPRHP) for a grant under Title 9 of the Environmental Protection Act of 1993 for a park project to be located at 8351 State Route 417, Little Genesee, New York 14754, a site located within the jurisdiction of the Genesee Town Board; and

**WHEREAS**, as a requirement under the rules of this program, said Genesee Library must obtain the “approval/endorsement of the governing body of the municipality in which the project will be located”;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, be it resolved by the Genesee Town Board that they hereby approve and endorse the application for said Grant under Title 9 of the Environmental Protection Act of 1993 for a park project known as the Genesee Library and located within this community; and

**FURTHER RESOLVED** that should the Genesee Library be unable to do so, said property shall be forever maintained by the Town of Genesee as a municipal park in this community consistent with the rules promulgated by OPRHP.  
Supervisor Smith made a motion, 2<sup>nd</sup> by CP Estabrook, to approve this resolution.

Roll call Vote taken as follows:

CP Miller           Aye  
CP Estabrook      Aye  
Supervisor Smith  Aye

Two certified copies of this resolution will be provided to the Library Director.

**Building Inspection by NYS**

Town Clerk advised that the Town buildings are being inspected by the NYS Public Employee Safety & Health Bureau. Inspection field notes were provided to the Board regarding possible hazards at the Town Hall. Some items have already been corrected by the Town Clerk. Additional information regarding the outside location of the gas meter is needed. The Highway Barns will also be inspected and possibly the Genesee Library.

**PAYING OF BILLS**

Abstracts totaling \$19,141.03 were reviewed for paying the Town bills as follows:

<b>Abstract</b>	<b>Voucher Nos.</b>	<b>Abstract Amount</b>
General Fund	35 - 51	\$ 4,898.58
Highway Fund	22 - 34	\$ 14,242.45

CP Miller made a motion to pay the above bills, 2<sup>nd</sup> by CP Estabrook. Ayes all. Motion passed.

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by CP Miller, 2<sup>nd</sup> by CP Estabrook. Ayes all. Meeting was adjourned at 8:45 pm

Rhonda Faulkner, Town Clerk  
Dated: March 28, 2023