

REGULAR MEETING OF THE TOWN OF DARIEN

FEBRUARY 3, 2021

MINUTES OF THE DARIEN TOWN BOARD: Supervisor Stephen Ferry Jr, Council Members Michael Grant, David Krzemien, Timothy Benten, Michael Fix and Town Clerk Alice Calmes.

A regular meeting of the Darien Town Board, County of Genesee and State of New York was held at the Town Hall, 10569 Allegany Road, Darien Center, NY on February 3, 2021

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| PRESENT: | Stephen Ferry Jr | Supervisor |
| | Timothy Benten | Councilman |
| | Michael Grant | Councilman |
| | Alice Calmes | Town Clerk |
| ABSENT: | David Krzemien | Councilman |
| | Michael Fix | Councilman |

OTHERS PRESENT: Sue Galbraith-Alden Advertiser; Neil Marzolf – Highway Superintendent; Jerome Yoder - ZEO

At 7:30 PM the Supervisor called the meeting to order and recited the Pledge to the Flag.

RESOLUTION #20

MEETING MINUTES

Councilman Benten offered a resolution to accept the meeting minutes from the January 6,2021 meeting as read; second by Councilman Grant.

AYES 3 Benten, Grant and Ferry NAYS 0

RESOLUTION #21

TRAINING

Supervisor Ferry offered a resolution to authorize town officials with planning and zoning responsibilities attendance via zoom for Farmland Protection in Practice at reasonable town expense in accordance with the Employee Handbook; second by Councilman Grant.

AYES 3 Ferry, Grant and Benten NAYS 0

RESOLUTION #22

ENGINEERS RECOMMENDATION

Supervisor Ferry offered a resolution to approve the Engineers Recommendation for sewer upgrades for Grant Writing purposes; second by Councilman Benten.

AYES 3 Ferry, Benten and Grant NAYS 0

RESOLUTION #23

CDBG PUBLIC HEARING

Supervisor Ferry offered a resolution to set a public hearing at 7:30PM at a special meeting on Tuesday, February 16, 2021; second by Councilman Grant.

AYES 3 Ferry, Grant, and Benten NAYS 0

RESOLUTION #24

PLANNING BOARD

Supervisor Ferry offered a resolution to appoint Larry Stabell to the open seat on the Planning Board for a 7-year term; second by Councilman Benten.

AYES 3 Ferry, Benten and Grant NAYS 0

RESOLUTION #25

NFPA BOOKS

Supervisor Ferry offered a resolution authorize the Building Department to obtain an NFPA 1 and a 2021 NFPA 101 to update Town resources; second by Councilman Grant.

AYES 3 Ferry, Grant and Benten NAYS 0

RESOLUTION #26

AUDIT

Supervisor Ferry offered a resolution to authorize the Supervisor to sign the Audit Agreement Letter with FreedMaxick for the annual audit; second by Councilman Benten.

AYES 3 Ferry, Benten and Grant NAYS 0

RESOLUTION #27

NYSAC SUPPORT

Supervisor Ferry offered a resolution of support to our Congressional Delegation by New York State Association of Counties to rework the SALT deduction cap; second by Councilman Grant.

AYES 3 Ferry, Grant and Benten NAYS 0

Notifications

The first payment of 2021 from Genesee County (Voluntary Distribution) was received in the amount of \$81,146.00

HIGHWAY – everything is in good working order. Winter just showed up; salt is holding up. Have been going through stuff prepping for summer. Everyone is back to work and in good shape.

ZEO – Our annual report was the first one completed with the State this year. Tweaked our system a lot to make the report easier, had it finished within 2 hours. Have to build out a couple more components. Submitted a fee summary comparison from 2019 to 2020 due to COVID. Going to work on Fire Inspection reports this year. Town of Batavia did a moratorium on Solar due to having significant administration costs; our Zoning Law has a lot of these items covered by the applicants which helps us.

PLANNING BOARD – will likely have a meeting this month for a small commercial project

ATTORNEY – worked on the water improvement background; also mentioned the Superior Court judgement that counties will have to make towns whole when items get put onto tax bills

ASSESSOR – this is an update year

ENGINEER – haven't heard anything from Bruce, but expecting to get the last part of the Consent order by February 5t

TOWN CLERK – Town offices will be closed February 15th for Presidents Day

TAX COLLECTOR – Report Read

RESOLUTION #28

TAX REPORT

Supervisor Ferry offered a resolution to accept the January 2021 report from the Tax Collector; second by Councilman Benten.

AYES 3 Ferry, Benten and Grant NAYS 0

TREATMENT PLANT – numbers are good, really good for winter. Talked to Bruce a couple times for the next step and talked to Michelle Vincent. Michelle wanted to come out but that will get pushed off due to working only one day a week in the office.

Councilman Grant started getting prices to convert to banners in lieu of lights, had some questions about the need for a small LED light to illuminate banners. Neil stated that in town here, everyone is on a pole with a light

on it. In Darien City, not all have a light on. Councilman Grant is looking at items that would have the same mount for Summer & Winter.

Councilman Benten stated that along with Councilman Fix, they got the audit of the Court Records completed for 2019 and 2020. Everything was orderly and neatly filed, no issues were found.

RESOLUTION #29

COURT AUDITS

Supervisor Ferry offered a resolution to accept the audits of the 2019 and 2020 Court Records as performed by Councilman Benten and Councilman Fix; second by Councilman Grant.

AYES 3 Ferry, Grant and Benten NAYS 0

RESOLUTION #30

SUPERVISOR CASH REPORT

Councilman Grant offered a resolution to accept the December 2020 Supervisors Cash Report; second by Councilman Benten.

AYES 3 Grant, Benten and Ferry NAYS 0

RESOLUTION #31

ABSTRACT

Councilman Grant offered a resolution to pay General Fund 14 – 36 for \$12,414.59; Highway 2 - 14 for \$10,472.05; Sewer District #1 6 – 11 for \$2,274.14; and Trust & Agency 2 for \$307,818.00; second by Councilman Benten.

AYES 3 Grant, Benten and Ferry NAYS 0

RESOLUTION #32

ADJOURN

At 8:09PM, Councilman Benten offered a resolution to adjourn; second by Councilman Grant.

AYES 3 Benten, Grant and Ferry NAYS 0

Alice E. Calmes, Town Clerk