

**TOWN OF BRUNSWICK
REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING
APRIL 12, 2018, 7:00 P.M.
TOWN HALL**

Board Members Present: Supervisor Herrington, Councilman Sullivan, Councilman Christian and Councilman Casale.

Board Members Absent: Councilman Balistreri.

Also Present: Town Attorney, Thomas Cioffi, and Town Clerk, William J. Lewis.

Supervisor Herrington called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

All joined in with the salute to the flag.

VISITORS WHO WISH TO SPEAK:

None.

BUSINESS MEETING:

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING:

Councilman Sullivan made a motion to accept the Minutes of the previous meetings, seconded by Councilman Christian. Unanimously approved.

REPORTS:

Town Clerk: William J. Lewis

Mr. Lewis gave his report for the month of March. \$7,189.12 will be remitted to the Supervisor's office. Recycling fees accounted for the majority of monies received, with Community Center, dog license and miscellaneous fees making up the balance. The Community Center had 10 new reservations, and the Beach Pavilion 1. 2018 Summer Camp registration info was available, was posted on the Town website, and we received 1 application last month. Motion to accept the report was made by Councilman Sullivan and seconded by Councilman Christian. Unanimously approved. A copy of the written report is on file in the Town Clerk's Office.

Highway Superintendent: Brandon Hill

Mr. Hill gave his report for the month of March. Department work included: Road plowing/sanding/pushing back sides; Hauling sand and mixing with salt; Snow blowing sidewalks; Asphalt & dirt road patching; Ditch clearing and repairing; Removing downed trees from wind damage; Hauling cardboard to recycler; Sweeping Town roads; Assisting Town of Berlin with road sweeping; Performing maintenance on plows & trucks; Working on Route 7 ball fields; Working on Route 2 ball fields; Retrieving equipment stored in Berlin. Motion to accept the report was made by Councilman Christian and seconded by Councilman Sullivan. Unanimously approved. A copy of the written report is on file in the Town Clerk's Office.

Water & Sewer Report: Bill Bradley

Mr. Bradley gave his report for the month of March. All water sampling was completed. Outside work was seriously hampered by the tough March weather. Clearing of the right of way from the North Lake Ave. spillway South has been started. Mr. Bradley informed the Board of a

new bill being presented in the New York State Assembly and Senate which would provide annual assistance to municipalities towards water, sanitary sewer and storm water infrastructure improvements. This is similar to a successful highway program (CHIPS), which helps fund road maintenance and improvements. It is bill #S3292/A3907A entitled "Safe Water Infrastructure Action Program" (SWAP). He urged officials to write their representatives in support of this bill. Motion to accept the report was made by Councilman Casale and seconded by Councilman Sullivan. Unanimously approved. A copy of the written report is on file in the Town Clerk's Office.

Code Enforcement: Karen Guastella

Ms. Guastella gave her report for the month of March. The report showed \$17,232.50 was collected for Building Permit and Zoning Variance/Planning Board Fees. 39 new building permits were issued, 99 building inspections were performed and active permits totaled 278. The department had 0 code call outs, 3 code complaints and 3 code complaint inspections were performed. Additionally, 18 fire inspections and 4 follow up inspections were completed. Motion to accept the report was made by Councilman Christian and seconded by Councilman Casale. Unanimously approved. A copy of the written report is on file in the Town Clerk's Office.

Town Attorney: Thomas Cioffi

Mr. Cioffi gave his report for the month of March. Other than routine matters, his work included the following: Prepared Resolutions being presented before the Town Board this evening; Worked with the Building Department on outstanding issues with the 897 Hoosick Rd. demolition project; Worked with the Town Clerk's and Supervisor's offices on FOIL requests; Attended meetings concerning time sheets and personnel matters; Consulted with the Town Court on preparing their response to the recent Comptrollers audit of that office; Attended several meetings with various Town Board members on legal issues. Motion to accept the report was made by Supervisor Herrington and seconded by Councilman Sullivan. Unanimously approved.

Town Historian: Sharon Zankel

Mrs. Zankel gave her report for the month of March. First she wished to publicly acknowledge and thank everyone who has supported her and husband Lewis as they recover from a car accident which occurred on January 31st. The cards, gifts of food, offers for help with transportation and household chores which they have received from the community is greatly appreciated. She has continued helping with research on the local Civil War veteran's project by Tamarac High School students and has started assisting with historical information for two other student projects. The Church of Christ, Disciples at the corner of Route 2 and Maple Ave, in Eagle Mills is listed for sale, and she has been in touch with officials to copy early records of the church and photograph the interior. She assisted County Historian Kathy Sheehan with a County Historians meeting where one topic was the threat of commercial development to historic buildings and neighborhoods. She has been researching burial records at Forest Park Cemetery for any connection to the Troy Orphan Asylum, and helped a former resident with historic information on their childhood home. Motion to accept the report was made by Councilman Casale and seconded by Supervisor Herrington. Unanimously approved. A copy of the written report is on file in the Town Clerk's Office.

Recycling Coordinator: Thomas Engster

Mr. Engster gave his report for the month of March. After expenses, there were revenues of \$1,409.00. 26.90 tons of material were recycled and 24.95 tons landfilled for the month. Motion to accept the report was made by Councilman Christian and seconded by Councilman Sullivan. Unanimously approved. A copy of the written report is on file in the Town Clerk's Office.

Library Report: Natalie Hurteau

Mrs. Hurteau was unable to attend the meeting. She had forwarded her report for the month of March and Mr. Thomas Mahoney, Library Trustee, made a brief presentation. Print circulation was 3557 items and patron count was 2814, both an increase from February. eBooks and digital audio usage increased while digital and print magazines, WiFi connections and computer sessions decreased slightly. The Easter egg hunt was attended by about 400 people and over in minutes! Some discussion ensued about the possibility of a larger venue for next year to accommodate the large crowd. NYS Aid for Libraries Grant applications are now being offered and they plan to apply. A few items they would like to address, among others, are replacing the carpeting, re-designing the reception desk area and setting up an internet cafe. The possibility of having a Farmer's Market this summer is also being considered. Program schedules, special events and news items are available at www.brunswicklibrary.org. Motion to accept the report was made by Councilman Christian and seconded by Councilman Casale. Unanimously approved. A copy of the written report is on file in the Town Clerk's Office.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution No. 33 Resolution Accepting and Awarding Mini Bid for the Sale and Purchase of 2018 Ford F-150 Super Crew XLT 4x4 Pickup Truck, in Accordance with the New York State Office of General Services Vehicle Marketplace. (OGS Group 40451, Award 22898, Light Duty Vehicles) The foregoing Resolution, offered by Councilman Christian and seconded by Councilman Balistreri, was duly put to a roll call vote as follows: Councilman Christian, Voting Aye; Councilman Sullivan, Voting Aye; Councilman Casale, Voting Aye; Councilman Balistreri, Voting Absent; Supervisor Herrington, Voting Aye. The foregoing Resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

Resolution No. 34 Resolution Declaring Items to be Surplus Property. The foregoing Resolution, offered by Councilman Christian and seconded by Councilman Casale, was duly put to a roll call vote as follows: Councilman Christian, Voting Aye; Councilman Sullivan, Voting Aye; Councilman Casale, Voting Aye; Councilman Balistreri, Voting Absent; Supervisor Herrington, Voting Aye. The foregoing Resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

Resolution No. 35 Resolution Amending Town of Brunswick Employee Handbook. The foregoing Resolution, offered by Councilman Sullivan and seconded by Councilman Christian, was duly put to a roll call vote as follows: Councilman Christian, Voting Aye; Councilman Sullivan, Voting Aye; Councilman Casale, Voting Aye; Councilman Balistreri, Voting Absent; Supervisor Herrington, Voting Aye. The foregoing Resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

Resolution No. 36 Resolution Establishing Compensation of Deputy Superintendent of Highways. The foregoing Resolution, offered by Councilman Christian and seconded by Councilman Casale, was duly put to a roll call vote as follows: Councilman Christian, Voting Aye; Councilman Sullivan, Voting Aye; Councilman Casale, Voting Aye; Councilman Balistreri, Voting Absent; Supervisor Herrington, Voting Aye. The foregoing Resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Two letters were received addressed to Supervisor Herrington.

The first was from Janet Britt of the Agricultural Stewardship Association, thanking us for the use of the Community Center for their presentation on forest farming. It was well attended and the center was the perfect venue. Thank you.

The second was from resident Patricia Klein, Seneca Street, thanking us for replacing the aged street signs. They are highly reflective and people can now find the street!

OLD BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

Deputy Supervisor Patrick Poletto announced the lineup for the 2018 Summer Concert Series at Keyes Lane. The concerts will begin Tuesday June 28th at 6:30 p.m. and continue every Tuesday through August 28th, weather permitting. This year's performers in order are: The Refrigerators; Wylder; The Tichy Boys; Big Fez and the Surfomatics; Kyle Bourgault Band; Diva and the Dirty Boys; Stray Dogs; Get up Jack; The Lustre Kings and Whiskey Highway.

Mr. Greg Ursprung, Bergman Associates, made a brief presentation showing plans for construction of two buildings and the site plan on a parcel adjacent to the north boundary of the Brunswick Plaza (Price Chopper/Nigro Corporation) PDD. They propose to construct a Taco Bell Restaurant and a Sunmark Federal Credit Union. Also, they have had meetings with NYS DOT and are planning to grant a portion of this parcel to the State, allowing Route 7 to be widened to two lanes from the main Price Chopper entrance along the front of the property. Originally this parcel was to stay outside of the PDD, amending said PDD to transfer a small amount of land to make this parcel more suitable for development.

Mr. Andrew Gilchrist, Planning and Zoning Board attorney, informed the Board on the current procedural status going forward. A public hearing on the original amendment had been held on March 9, 2017. After recommendation by the Planning Board and the DOT meetings, it has been decided to instead incorporate this parcel into the PDD, which requires a new application to amend the original PDD. Due to the new site plan details, it is also recommend to refer the site plan to the Planning Board and the County Planning Commission for review/comments, and hold a new Public Hearing. The new application and required forms have been submitted by the applicant. After discussion, the board members concurred. The referrals will be made and a Public Hearing was scheduled for Thursday May 10, 2018 to commence at 6:30 p.m.

WARRANTS:

Warrants No. 180288 through 180419, No. 32318001 through 32318009 and No. 40618001 through 40618006 were presented. Councilman Christian made a motion to approve the warrants, seconded by Councilman Sullivan. Unanimously approved.

Individual fund expenses were as follows:

General	\$ 229,640.02
Highway	\$ 97,768.34
Water	\$ 398,305.36
Sewer	\$ 677.94
Special Sewer District	\$ 619.76

FURTHER COMMENTS FROM VISITORS:

None.

ADJOURNMENT:

Councilman Christian made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Councilman Casale. Unanimously approved. The meeting adjourned at 7:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

William J. Lewis
Town Clerk