

Town of Pine Plains Town Board Meeting

June 22nd, 2023

The Town of Pine Plains Town Board convened for a regular schedule meeting at the Town Hall on the above date at 7 pm. Supervisor Walsh, Councilman Bartles, Councilwoman Jones, Councilman Zick and Councilman Ambrose were present. Also in attendance was Attorney to the Town Warren Replansky, PPWIA/Engineer Ray Jurkowski, Recreation Director Michael Cooper, Officer in Charge John Hughes, Planning Board Chairman Michael Stablie and eleven members of public.

Supervisor Walsh called the meeting to order, and the Pledge of Allegiance was done.

Motioned by Councilman Ambrose to approve the May Town Clerks Report, second by Councilman Jones 5-0 Passed.

Jones motioned to accept May 15 workshop minutes and the May 18th Town Board minutes, second by Ambrose 5-0 Passed.

Jones motioned to pay General Bills 20116-20149 & 20174, Highway Bills 20150-20173, and Water Bills 3206-3208, second by Ambrose 5-0 Passed.

Public Comment- Willow Roots founders Nelson and Lisa Zayas gave a presentation to the Board about potentially having a flea market located at 8 & 12 North Main St. Nelson Zayas presented the Board multiple studies pertaining to effects of vacant lots, and the benefits of flea markets in communities. (On file). Zayas also provided aerial pictures of Church St, and the Public Parking lot by the Bank of Millbrook Bank, to show there would be sufficient parking. Willow Roots' proposal would include 48 tents, 10x10 size, on Saturdays and Sundays 10 a.m.- 3 p.m. with a \$10.00 fee. The fee would be split 50/50 with the Town and Willow Roots. Councilman Bartles asked if there would be anything left from the vendors after hours. Zayas responded that the vendors would take everything with them. Lisa Zayas suggested having the Town use the profit from the vendors to provide a pot-a-potty.

Ambrose motioned to move into executive session for attorney client with the Planning Board Chairman, second by Jones 5-0 Passed.

Zick motioned to return to regular session, second by Bartles 5-0 Passed.

Attorney to the Town Warren Replansky discussed a new local law to establish a moratorium on new applications for tier III solar facilities. There will be a special meeting June 27, 2023, at 7 p.m.

Department report- Highway- Report on file. Jones motioned to approve amended highway expenditures, second by Zick 5-0 Passed.

Building- Report on file.

PPWIA- Ray Jurkowski read report (on file). Jurkowski also let the Board know all the contracts have been signed for the online payment option and will be available in July 2023.

Engineering- Jurkowski let the Board know the bids for the softball dugouts will be available Friday June 16, 2023, and the opening of the bids will be July 14, 2023, The County has also posted bids for dugouts on the bidnet.com.

Recreation- Recreation Director Michael Cooper asked the Board for permission for Mark

Wilson to hold the triathlon at the Beach Pavilion on June 25, 2023. Motioned by Zick to allow the use of pavilion at the beach for the triathlon, second by Ambrose 5-0 Passed.

Animal Control- Report on file.

Police- Officer in Charge John Hughes, read report (on file). OIC Hughes also asked to have an inner department promotion, for Officer Steven Camburn to be promoted to corporal. Motioned by Zick to promote Officer Camburn to corporal, second by Ambrose 5-0 Passed.

Attorney to the Town Warren Replansky also discussed that the Woodward Hill drainage be sent out to bid. Replansky wanted to discuss the Stanfordville Police sharing service in executive session. Replansky presented a “Resolution Authorizing the Attorney to the Town to Execute a Consent Judgement in Conjunction with the Tax Certiorari Petition Filed by Nature Walk Farm LLC” The question of the adoption of the foregoing Resolutions was duly put to a vote on roll call on June 15, 2023, which resulted with 5-Aye 0-Nay Passed. Replansky also asked about the library petition. Claire Gunning president of the Library Board said they have the signatures and were just doing final proofing before presenting the petition to Town Clerk.

New Business-Zick motioned to accept Hon. Dave Humeston resignation letter, second by Ambrose 5-0 Passed. Zick motioned to accept Robert Harpp Jr. court clerk resignation letter, second by Ambrose 5-0 Passed. Supervisor Walsh stated the Justice seat will be a ballot position for this year’s election.

Old Business- Zick mentioned the Town Hall meeting on July 10, 2023, to discuss the “New Town Hall” at 7 p.m. at the Community Center.

Zick motioned to move into executive session to discuss legal, second by Jones 5-0 Passed.

Jones motioned to return to regular session, second by Zick 5-0 Passed.

Zick motioned to adjourn, second by Jones 5-0 Passed.

Supervisor Walsh

Town Clerk

Councilman Ambrose

Councilman Bartles

Councilwoman Jones

Councilman Zick