June 18, 2024

Town of Maine Town Board Meeting

The Town of Maine Town Board meeting was held on Tuesday June 18, 2024 at 6:00 P.M. at Maine Town Hall, 12 Lewis Street, Maine, NY.

Present:

Supervisor: James Tokos
Deputy Supervisor: Cara Holland-Hauer
Councilmember: Peggy Bowles
Councilmember: Art Robinson
Councilmember: Ernie Palmer
Town Clerk: Joyce Grover
Highway Superintendent: Rob Szczepanski
Code Inspector: Bob Lawler
Attorney: Robert McKertich

Supervisor Tokos called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M. with the pledge to the flag.

Supervisor Tokos made a motion to approve the May 21, 2024 town board meeting minutes. Councilmember Palmer seconded. Roll call vote: Holland-Hauer: aye, Bowles: aye, Palmer: aye, Robinson: aye, Tokos: aye. Motion carried.

Supervisor Tokos made a motion to approve the May clerk's report. Councilmember Palmer seconded. Roll call vote: Holland-Hauer: aye, Bowles: aye, Palmer: aye, Robinson: aye, Tokos: aye. Motion carried.

Supervisor Tokos made a motion to approve the May supervisors report. Councilmember Palmer seconded. Roll call vote: Holland-Hauer: aye, Bowles: aye, Palmer: aye, Robinson: aye, Tokos: aye. Motion carried.

Supervisor Tokos made a motion to approve the June audited bills. Councilmember Palmer seconded. Roll call vote: Holland-Hauer: aye, Bowles: aye, Palmer: aye, Robinson: aye, Tokos: aye. Motion carried.

General:	Voucher: #213 - #252	Total: $22,563.21
Highway:	Voucher: #58 – #68	Total: $ 4,990.45

Supervisor Tokos made a motion to approve the June transfers. Councilmember Palmer seconded. Roll call vote: Holland-Hauer: aye, Bowles: aye, Palmer: aye, Robinson: aye, Tokos: aye. Motion carried.

General

Transfer: $3,000.00 from Acct: A9010.8 NYS Retirement to Acct: A1320.1 Auditor
Transfer: $200 from Acct: A1320.4 Auditor Contr. to Acct: A1320.43 Auditor Conf. & Mileage
Transfer: $25.00 from Acct: A1330.4 Tax Collect Contr. Acct: A1330.44 Tax Collect Dues
Transfer: $300.00 from Acct: A1410.12 Town Clerk Deputy to Acct: A1410.41 Town Clerk Office Supplies
Transfer: $500.00 from Acct: A1410.12 Town Clerk Deputy to Acct: A1410.43 Town Clerk Conf. & Mileage
Transfer: $1,300.00 from Acct: A1990.4 Contr. to Acct: A1910.4 Unallocated Insurance
Transfer: $1,300.00 from Acct: A1990.4 Contingency to Acct: A1989.41 Random Drug Testing
Transfer: $150.00 from Acct: A7020.47 Rec. Summer Supplies to Acct: A7020.12 Rec. Adm. Winter Rec.
Transfer: $75.00 from Acct: A7550.4 Celebrations Contr. to Acct: A7550.46 Celebration Flags
Transfer: $300.00 from Acct: A1990.4 Contingency to Acct: A5010.43 Hwy. Admin. Conf. & Mileage
Transfer: $300.00 from Acct: A1990.4 Contingency to Acct: A5010.44 Hwy. Admin. Dues

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Highway
Transfer: $10,000.00 from Acct: DA9010.8 State Retirement to Acct: DA5130.46 Machinery Supplies
Transfer: $16,000.00 from Acct: DA5110.1 Gen. Repairs Pers. Serv. To Acct: DA5120.1 Bridges Pers. Ser.
Transfer: $5,000.00 from Acct: DA5130.21 to Acct: DA5130.46 Machinery Supplies

Supervisor Tokos made a motion to approve the bid from T & C Stone, 296 Hinsdale Rd. Whitney Point, NY 13862 for the following aggregates. Councilmember Robinson seconded. Roll call vote: Holland-Hauer: aye, Bowles: aye, Palmer: aye, Robinson: aye, Tokos: aye. Motion carried.

Coarse Aggregate Number 1A for $26.00 per ton delivered
Coarse Aggregate Number 1 ST for $26.00 per ton delivered
Fine Aggregate (M-3) road sand for $14.50 per ton delivered

Supervisor Tokos made a motion to approve the bid from the County for Lopke Rock Products, 3430 State Route 434, Apalachin, NY 13732 for the following aggregates. Councilmember Palmer seconded. Roll call vote: Holland-Hauer: aye, Bowles: aye, Palmer: aye, Robinson: aye, Tokos: aye. Motion carried.

Coarse Aggregate Number 1 for $23.80 per ton delivered
Coarse Aggregate Number2 for $23.80 per ton delivered
Coarse Aggregate 2x4 for $19.70 per ton delivered
Type 2 sub-base for $13.50 per ton delivered

Supervisor Tokos made a motion to approve Justice Howard Dingman to go to Magistrates conference September 22-25, 2024 in Niagara Falls. Councilmember Palmer seconded. Roll call vote: Holland-Hauer: aye, Bowles: aye, Palmer: aye, Robinson: aye, Tokos: aye. Motion carried.

Supervisor Tokos made a motion to approve the hiring of Passero Engineering, 242 West Main Street, Suite 100 Rochester, NY 14614 for Professional Engineering and Planning Services to assist the Town of Maine in their review and processing of SEQR documentation for the Broome Industrial Park at Airport Road, proposed by the Broome County IDA. Councilmember Robinson seconded. Roll call vote: Holland-Hauer: aye, Bowles: aye, Palmer: aye, Robinson: aye, Tokos: aye. Motion carried.

Supervisor Tokos read aloud the bids to pave the Maine Town Park walking path.

A & S Blacktop Paving, LLC, 249 Pollard Hill Rd, Johnson City, NY 13790 $ 23,900.00
Smith Site Development LLC, 1249 Front St. Suite 110, Binghamton, NY 13905 $ 29,800.00

Supervisor Tokos made a motion to approve the $23,900.00 bid from A & S Blacktop Paving, LLC. Councilmember Holland-Hauer seconded. Roll call vote: Bowles: aye, Palmer: aye, Tokos: aye, Holland-Hauer: aye, Robinson abstained. Motion carried.

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Supervisor Tokos made a motion to increase the Disability Benefits Insurance Coverage from the Statutory coverage to the Enriched at 2.0 coverage. The Statutory coverage is New York minimum disability benefit, the enriched disability benefit coverage offers qualified employees a higher level of claim benefits. Councilmember Holland-Hauer seconded. Roll call vote: Bowles: aye, Palmer: aye, Robinson: aye, Holland-Hauer: aye, Tokos: aye. Motion carried.

Supervisor Tokos made a motion to approve the Summer Recreation Staff. Councilmember Palmer seconded. Roll call vote: Holland-Hauer: aye, Bowles: aye, Palmer: aye, Robinson: aye, Tokos: aye. Motion carried.
Leader: Hanna Palmer: $2,500.00 salary
Angela Thomas: $14.00 per hour Megan Bryla: $14.50 per hour Gavin Rice: $14.00 per hour
Amelia Curtis: $13.00 per hour Raven Healander: $13.00 per hour Scarlett Healander: $13.00 per hour
Kiera Rahner: $14.00 per hour Kylee Seamans: $15.00 per hour Maria Pignatelli: $13.00 per hour
McKenna Seavey: $13.00 per hour Owen Seavey: $13.00 per hour (2) Bus drivers at $200.00 each

Supervisor Tokos asked the board for approval to send a letter to NYS Liquor Authority approving AB Brewing LLC (dba Water Street Brewing Co.) to obtain a temporary permit to provide beer and cider at the Slaughterland Screampark in Binghamton, NY for each of the scheduled events this fall. Vote: all ayes.

National Night Out will be August 6, 2024 at Maine Town Park at 6:00 P.M.

Councilmember Palmer stated that he reached out to Broome County Legislature Matthew Pasquale regarding the IDA Corporate Park Project and he said Maine is not in his district.

Councilmember Robinson made a motion to move the open floor on the agenda to after the approvals. Councilmember Holland-Hauer seconded. Roll call vote: Bowles: abstained, Palmer: aye, Robinson: aye, Tokos: abstained, Holland-Hauer: aye. Motion carried.

Councilmember Robinson spoke about contacting the Fire Marshal Association to see if they would be able to get information and schooling for the Town of Maine Fire Departments regarding electrical fires at battery energy storage facilities.

Councilmember Robinson made a motion to have Attorney Robert McKertich draft a moratorium on the installation of Battery Energy Storage System facilities. Councilmember Palmer seconded. Roll call vote: Holland-Hauer: aye, Bowles: aye, Palmer: aye, Robinson: aye, Tokos: aye. Motion carried.

Robinson also requested that Attorney Robert McKertich revise the code book and update the cell towers local law to include 5G cell towers.
Olenda Schram of 1320 Airport Road spoke about the IDA.

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Bob Utter asked about the Town of Maine board of ethics in the code book.

Supervisor Tokos made a motion to adjourn at 7:26 P.M. Councilmember Palmer seconded. Vote: all ayes. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Approved:___July 16, 2024_____

Joyce Grover
Maine Town Clerk