

Minutes of the Smithville Town Board
June 20, 2022

OPENING of Town Board meeting 6:30PM
ROLL CALL/PLEDGE/LATE ADDITIONS:

ATTENDANCE:

Supervisor John Cammarata
Councilman Bob Whitmore
Councilman Shane Butler
Councilwoman Pam Holcomb
Councilman Russell Wark

ALSO:
Alison Owens, Town Clerk
Vince Witkowski, Hwy Sup't
Karl Ludwig

CORRESPONDENCE 6:35PM
C1) letter from NYSIRP notifying the Town of Smithville they will be canvassing door to door this summer

NEW BUSINESS 6:40PM
NB1) Dog Enumeration information: Supervisor Cammarata will call tomorrow to see if a quote could be emailed to the Town. Other options for an enumeration were discussed.

NB2) consider Karl Ludwig for appointment to Board of Assessment review

RESOLUTION # 25 (2022): APPOINT KARL LUDWIG TO THE BOARD OF ASSESSMENT REVIEW FOR TERM TO END 9/30/2026

On a motion by Councilman Butler, 2nd by Councilwoman Holcomb, the following Resolution was ADOPTED

Holcomb: aye
Butler: aye
Wark: aye
Whitmore: aye
Cammarata: aye

RESOLVED to appoint Karl Ludwig to the Board of Assessment Review, term to end 9/30/2026

OLD BUSINESS (UPDATES IF ANY) 6:50PM

OB1) any continued discussion of garden area: nothing new has been discussed

OB2) further discussion on GPS trackers for Hwy trucks: Mr. Lee will be scheduled for next month

OB3) update on 2nd request by Dave Merchant, 1637 County Rd.3 (trash blowing from neighbor's yard to his). Town Officials have driven past his house and have noticed there is not any trash blowing across from the neighbors yard at this time.

OB4) update on ordered computer equipment, telephone: computers will be installed on Thursday: security system shortly. Other potential uses/concerns for ARPA funds mentioned were as follows:

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- Length of time a security camera recording is available to view/research
- If, with the new internet provider (Point Broadband), will internet service be lost when the electric is out, even if there is a battery back-up?
- Is it possible to have a sink with running water, or even hot water installed inside the back of the Pavilion? This might help update the facility and which could potentially be rented at a higher rate. Supervisor Cammarata will contact John Tracy and see about a cost estimate. Also mentioned were the lights in the front of the Pavilion which could be updated to LED light fixtures with sealed bulbs.
- New light poles in the front of the Community Center to replace the wooden ones which are subject to rot
- New infield and bases for the ball field, perhaps a different scoreboard
- Senior Home on adjacent lot: hold off for location of water tower
- Truck radios: this has been turned over to the County as they are applying for a grant for the whole county
- Signs for abandoned cemeteries restricting burials by permission of the Town of Smithville
- Town Clerk Owens will look into Cemetery Law for burials in abandoned cemeteries within Town

REPORTS

7:15PM

R1.) Highway: report submitted: Calcium not being ordered this year, only as requested by resident

- May have grader back by next week; rental will be returned.
- New Loader is in NC and is on its way to NY
- Patching the truck purchased from Sherburne
- A lot of vandalism at the Town Barn
- Box cut off of '02 International, truck sold
- New truck ordered, again. Supervisor Cammarata challenged the extra \$17K the company wanted to charge for re-ordering but he was able to get 10K off the new price.
- Some of the FEMA projects are done

R2) Assessor: report not submitted.

R3.) Enforcement Officer: no report submitted

R4.) Planning Board: no minutes submitted

R5.) DCO: report not submitted

R6.) vacant R7.) vacant

R8.) Custodian: no report submitted

R9.) Playground Committee: no report

R10) Town Clerk: report submitted: The Historical marker for the Hansmann's Mills property has arrived.

Communication is ongoing with the family on where to place the marker and when the dedication will be. The Highway Dept will assist in digging the hole for the pipe and setting it in cement to cure before the dedication ceremony. An invoice from Catskill castings in the amount of \$2,565.00 has been received, as well as and a check from the Smithville Historical Society in the same amount. The SHS check will be deposited into the Town General account and a Town check to Catskill castings will be cut to pay for the marker. The following Resolution was brought forth:

RESOLUTION # 26 (2022): ACCEPT CHECK FROM SHS TO PAY FOR HANSMANN'S MONUMENT AND CUT TOWN CHECK TO PAY THE \$2,565.00 INVOICE TO CATSKILL CASTINGS

On a motion by Councilman Whitmore, 2nd by Councilman Butler, the following Resolution was ADOPTED

Holcomb: aye

Butler: aye

Wark: aye

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Whitmore: aye
Cammarata: aye

RESOLVED to accept the SHS check of \$2,565.00 to pay for the Historical marker for Hansmann's Mills and to cut a check to Catskill Castings to pay the invoice for the marker.

R11) vacant

R12) Supervisor's Report: submitted

- Building maintenance A1620.1 should be A1620.4. This will be changed at budget prep time and going forward.
- A1910.4 Insurance was more expensive due to the new truck.
- Personnel training was also more than expected
- Unemployment and Disability Insurance should be flipped
- A motion to approve the Supervisor's report was made by Councilman Wark, 2nd by Councilwoman Holcomb. All 5 Board members: Holcomb, Butler, Wark, Whitmore and Cammarata were in favor, motion carried.

MINUTES APPROVAL for May 16, 25

7:55PM

- The minutes of these 2 meetings were reviewed. A motion was made by Councilman Whitmore, 2nd by Councilman Wark to approve the minutes of both meetings. All 5 Board members: Holcomb, Butler, Wark, Whitmore and Cammarata were in favor, motion carried.

WARRANTS

8:00PM

General Warrant # 6, Vouchers # 77-104, in the amount of \$19,395.04 were submitted for payment and reviewed by the Board. General Vouchers paid early were # 77-80; 86,87

#105 added to the July warrant, but was requested by Supervisor Cammarata to be paid early. This is the monthly charge for the telephone service within the building.

A motion to accept and pay these claims was made by Councilman Butler, 2nd by Councilman Whitmore. All 5 Board members: Holcomb, Butler, Wark, Whitmore and Cammarata were in favor, motion carried.

Highway Warrant # 6, Vouchers # 67-80 in the amount of \$18,727.35 were submitted for payment and reviewed by the Board.

A motion to accept and pay these claims was made by Councilman Whitmore, 2nd by Councilman Butler. All 5 Board members: Holcomb, Butler, Wark, Whitmore and Cammarata were in favor, motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

8:12PM

A motion to go into Executive Session was made by Councilman Butler, 2nd by Councilwoman Holcomb. All 5 Board members: Holcomb, Butler, Wark, Whitmore and Cammarata were in favor, motion carried.
Into Executive Session at 8:12pm to discuss employment.

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A motion to come out of Executive Session was made by Supervisor Cammarata, 2nd by Councilman Butler. All 5 Board members: Holcomb, Butler, Wark, Whitmore and Cammarata were in favor, motion carried.
Out of Executive Session at 8:45pm.

There was no other business to come before the Board.

Next Board meeting is July 18, 2022

ADJOURNED by Supervisor Cammarata @ 8:45pm

Alison B. Owens

Smithville Town Clerk

Addendum 6/22/2022:

A fireworks application was received from Jennifer Banks of American Fireworks Display, Oxford NY for a display on July 7, 2022 at the Praise the Lord Camp on State Hwy 220. The application was forwarded by email to Board members and approved for use on that day by four Board members. Those Board members approving the fireworks application were: Holcomb, Butler, Wark and Cammarata. Board member Whitmore did not respond.