

The regular meeting of the Groveland Town Board was held on Thursday, September 14, 2023 at the Town Hall, 4955 Aten Road in the Town of Groveland.

Present: Bill Devine, Supervisor; Sandra Bean, Deputy Supervisor, and Councilmember; Amy Hunter, Councilmember and John Macauley, Councilmember

Other Town Officials: D. Mark Caldwell, Highway Superintendent

Absent: Steve Atterbury, Councilmember

Others Present: R. Niedermaier

Supervisor Devine called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. Councilmember Macauley led the pledge to the flag.

A motion by Councilmember Macauley and seconded by Councilmember Bean that the audited bills be paid. General Fund vouchers numbered 199- 222 for \$20,639.66; Highway Fund vouchers numbered 133- 150 for \$87,141.10 and Conesus Lake Water Fund voucher number 2 for \$670.00. Motion carried.

A motion by Councilmember Bean and seconded by Councilmember Macauley to accept the regular meeting minutes of 08/10/2023 and the special meeting of 9/6/2023 with minor changes. Motion carried.

Supervisor Devine forwarded copies electronically of the Town Clerk & Supervisors monthly financial reports. The supervisor financial report with monthly statement of all money received. Councilmember Bean and seconded by Councilmember Hunter to accept both financial reports. Motion carried.

Information handed out/or acknowledged:

Old/New Business:

HIGHWAY REPORT- Highway Superintendent Caldwell reported the crew has been placing gravel on various roads, there has been approximately 300 loads of gravel placed recently. Davis Road is awaiting oil and stoning, and the Highway Superintendent has been in communication with the local farmers as this road will be a first for oil and stone and would like to not have it ripped up after as this is prime chopping season.

Once the Davis Road is complete he will begin the paperwork for CHIPS submission.

Supervisor Devine inquired about the Peterbilt representative meeting with the board to review trucks and payment as it may be better to pay a loan than a BAN. The Highway Superintendent stated that he was hopeful to have him available for the next meeting for the board with the information to be available as well

2024 TENTATIVE BUDGET RESOLUTION 58 2024-Superviosr Devine stated the board has been given the changes made to the budget following the workshop that was held on September 6th. The board reviewed the changes and continued to be in agreement with the changes made from the workshop.

WHEREAS, the Town Board has met at the time and place and the Town Clerk presented the 2024 Tentative Budget that was prepared by Supervisor Devine in conformance with NYS Town Law Section 106, and

RESOLVED, that upon the completion of such review, the tentative budget and any modifications thereof is approved by this town board and shall become the Preliminary Budget pursuant to NYS Town Law 106(4).

The adoption of the foregoing RESOLUTION was duly out in vote on motion of Councilmember Bean and seconded by Councilmember Hunter and the results were carried with 0 nay, 4 ayes. Roll Call Votes: Supervisor Devine, aye; Deputy Supervisor & Councilmember Bean, aye; Councilmember Hunter, aye; Councilmember Macauley, aye. Councilmember Atterbury absent.

INTRODUCTION OF TAXCAP OVERRIDE LOCAL- The Town Clerk had previously emailed the budget along with the account's tax cap calculation it does not appear that the town will be over the limit.

Board discussion: Councilmember Bean it does hurt to prepare the Local Law even though it does not appear that the town will exceed the tax cap to be safe creation of this local law only protects the town should the need arise to go over the tax cap limit for the budget year 2024.

All board members agreed with the introduction of the Local Law # 2023 Tax Cap Local Override Law.

A motion by Councilmember Bean and seconded by Councilmember Hunter to set a Public Hearing at the next board meeting for the Local Law # of 2023 Tax Cap Local Override Law. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION REGARDING- LOCAL LAW PROVIDING A PARTIAL TAX EXEMPTION FROM REAL PROPERTY TAXES TO CERTAIN ELIGIBLE VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS AND VOLUNTEER AMBULANCE WORKERS- Introduction of the Local Law that the County Board of Supervisor has approved with the changes only being made to name the Town of Groveland.

Board discussion: All agreed with the Local Law as introduced.

A motion by Councilmember Hunter and seconded by Councilmember Macauley to set a Public hearing at the next board meeting for the Local # of 2023 Providing a Partial Tax Exemption from Real Property Taxes to Certain Eligible Volunteer Firefighters and Volunteer Ambulance Workers. Motion carried.

CINTAS CONTRACT- RESOLUTION 59-2023- Supervisor Devine stated he reviewed the contract and it did not appear that it has increased by much.

WHEREAS the Town Board has met at the time and place at its regular meeting the town board has reviewed the proposed Highway Uniform Contract for the Town; and

WHEREAS, the contract is desirous to provide uniforms for the town union employees as stated in the Union contract section 19.1; and now therefore be it;

RESOLVED this Town Board does hereby accept the agreement with CINTAS and authorizes Highway Superintendent Caldwell to sign the agreement.

The adoption of the foregoing RESOLUTION was duly out in vote on motion of Councilmember Bean and seconded by Councilmember Hunter and the results were carried with 0 nay, 4 ayes. Roll Call Votes: Supervisor Devine, aye; Deputy Supervisor & Councilmember Bean, aye; Councilmember Hunter, aye; Councilmember Macauley, aye. Councilmember Atterbury absent.

Other Communication: R. Niedermaier stated the Fire Department will begin their pancake breakfasts on October 8, 2023 and continue the second Sunday of each month throughout the winter months. They are also having a turkey raffle and a gun raffle. Tickets are available for the gun raffle through fire department members.

Councilmember Macauley inquired if the town has a vehicle plan for the highway department.

Councilmember Bean stated that currently the town does not but feels it would be a great idea to have moving forward and suggested Councilmember Macauley assist highway employee Harvey in this endeavor. Transparency is what this town strives for and would like to have something that the board can potentially have for the spring newsletter. Councilmember Bean stated a February time frame should give enough time to prepare for the board's review.

Highway Superintendent Caldwell stated he is willing to assist and have highway employee Harvey work with other municipalities to see what plans they have in their municipalities for vehicle rotation schedules for 5 and 10-year plans.

SUPERVISOR DISCUSSION: Supervisor Devine inquired if the Highway Department had any luck finding a rock for the Sons of the American Revolution memorial to a member who has passed away. Highway Superintendent Caldwell stated they are still looking, they may have one but trying to find one that you can place a plaque on is the task.

Supervisor Devine stated that Bill Bacon with Livingston County IDA has informed him the paperwork is ready to be signed by the State and ready to be sent back for the purchase of the closed Livingston Correctional facility. After this transfer is complete they will come to the town for the

change in zoning to move forward with repurposing the closed facility into a business facility of some type.

The board has been notified that Al Lorenz Park in Mt. Morris has plans for a Spray/ water pad in the future by Supervisor Devine.

Town Clerk Burgess updated the board regarding the Spectrum phone system upgrade that was approved at the June 2023 meeting.

Councilmember Hunter requested to move into executive session for matters related to collective negotiations under the Taylor Law, seconded by Supervisor Devine. Motion carried.

The board requested the town clerk and highway superintendent to stay.

The executive session opened at 9:45 a.m.

A motion to close the executive session with no action taken by Supervisor Devine and seconded by Councilmember Macauley. Motion carried.

The executive session closed at 10:14 a.m.

A motion by Councilmember Macauley and seconded by Councilmember Bean to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 10:15 a.m. The next meeting will be the regular meeting on October 12, 2023, @ 9:00 a.m. at the Town Hall and is open to the public. Motion carried.

Kimberly Burgess, Town Clerk
Town of Groveland
Dated: September 14, 2023