MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE TOWN BOARD

TOWN OF SANDYCREEK 1992 HARWOOD DRIVE, POBOX 52 SANDYCREEK, NEW YORK13145-0052

Date: September 12, 2018

Kind of Meeting: Regular Meeting

Place: Town Hall

Board Members Present: Nancy Ridgeway **Others Present:**

Dave Warner Tammy Miller

Ruth E. Scheppard George Kalkowsky, P.E.
Nola J. Gove Audrey L. Flynn, Esq.
John W. Wood, Jr. Margaret Kastler

Michael C. Kastler

Shirley Rice Pat McCullough Norma Newman Wayne Miller Jessica Godfrey

John Howland at 7:07 PM

Mark J. Hyde Anne Derr Dallas Miller

CALL TO ORDER:

TownSupervisor Nancy Ridgeway called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

RESOLUTION 78-18

On motion by John W. Wood, Jr., seconded by Ruth E. Scheppard, the following resolution was

ADOPTED- 5Ayes Ridgeway, Scheppard, Gove, Warner, Wood

 $0 \, \text{No}$

Resolved that the minutes of the August 15thmeetingare approved as written.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Themonthly financial report of the Supervisor wasplaced in the Town Board members' mail boxesandwas filed in the Town Clerk's office today.

REPORTS:

<u>Highway/Water Superintendent</u> – Superintendent Kastler read his highway report. He reported that there is one overdue water bill in each district and the water has been turned off at these properties. The water operator is doing monthly testing in the districts. There will be a meeting at 10 am on September 13th in the Town of Richland regarding new meter reading technology.

<u>Sole Assessor</u>- Rhonda Weigand's reporthas been filed in the Town Clerk's office. Supervisor Ridgeway reported that enhanced STAR renewal information will be mailed soon. There are new forms and directions this year.

<u>Dog Control Officer</u> –Elisa Dunn filed a report for the month of August. There was one dog impoundment that she has requested mileage reimbursement for. Her resignation was effective August 24th. Deputy DCO Anne Derr has been covering since the 24th.

RESOLUTION 79-18

On motion by John W. Wood, Jr., seconded by Dave Warner, the following resolution was

ADOPTED - 5 Ayes Ridgeway, Scheppard, Gove, Warner, Wood 0 No

Resolved that the Town Board of the Town of Sandy Creek appoints Anne E. Derr as Dog Control Officer for the Town of Sandy Creek for the remainder the term expiring 12/31/2018.

<u>Historian</u> – Charlene Cole's monthly report is on file in the Town Clerk's office. Oswego County historians are working on a project to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the signing of the armistice that ended World War I on November 11th.

<u>Town Justice</u>- The monthly reports of Town Justice Crastand Stoker have been received by the Town Supervisor.

<u>Library</u>– Library Director Jessica Godfrey gave the Town Board a copy of the September newsletter. Two new book clubs began in September. Eight people attended the adult book club. There was not a good turnout for the tween book club. Adult guitar lessons just ended. A stuffed animal sleepover event will be held September 28th. Children will get a photo of their animal at pickup. Ms. Godfrey has donated several of the Ainsworth books to the town's history department. The books are very old and can be better preserved at the Town Hall. Mr. Ainsworth donated about 1500 books and many furnishings to the library many years ago. The carpet in the back foyer needs to be replaced. Superintendent Kastler has a verbal quote from Belloff's to replace the carpet for approximately \$600. No one on the Town Board was opposed to Mike scheduling the carpet replacement for October 10th.

<u>Planning Board</u> – Chairman Shirley Rice read the report from the September 4th meeting of the Sandy Creek Regional Planning Board. Neither the planning board nor CEO Howland is happy with the revisions to the local RV law. CEO Howland recommends staying with the current local RV law.

<u>Water Advisory Committee</u>- Chairman Norma Newman reported that there was no August meeting. The next meeting will be September 24th at 6 pm.

<u>Code Enforcement Officer</u> – John Howland's report for the month of August is on file in the Town Clerk's office. Mr. Darby was due in court in August for his unfenced pool. CEO Howland will check with Judge Crast regarding this violation.

<u>Town Clerk</u> – Tammy Miller reported that receipts and total disbursements for the month of August totaled \$6,379.00 of which \$2,283.07 was the town's portion. This report is on file in her office and available for public inspection. There is a vacancy on the Board of Assessment Review due to the resignation of Pete Backus. The town has received one letter of interest.

Engineers – George Kalkowsky, P.E. of Barton & Loguidice, D.P.C. was present to update the board on current projects. Of the sewer interest surveys returned so far, ~37% of property owners responded. Of the responses received, ~26% are interested inpublic sewer and ~71% said no. Approximately 3% gave no clear answer. B&L will develop a map indicating the parcels that said yes and no by the October monthly meeting. They will also complete a report based on information learned from the survey. The feasibility of a sewer district was discussed. Approximately 50 to 100 interested home owners in a contiguous area are neededto form a water district. A sewage treatment facility is needed near a body of water. In Water District 3 the land survey was completed the last week of August. B&L has started the layout of the project. It should be done around the end of October for review. Pending work includes permitting, title searches and easements. There are a few endangered species in the area that may affect the DEC permitting and/or timing of construction in certain areas. Permit applications will be filed in early December. Construction should begin in the summer of 2019 or spring of 2020 depending on the permitting process. The project should be closing on short term, interest free financing with NYS EFC DWSRF late this fall. An application for up to \$3 million in WIIA grant money was submitted on September 7th. Supervisor Ridgeway received an official financing offer today from USDA-RD. Public Comment- There was none at this time.

OLD BUSINESS—The SEQR paperwork must be done next for the High Peaks Solar project on the two town-owned parcels. Supervisor Ridgeway, Dave Warner, and Jill Mattison attended the North Sandy Pond Resiliency Project meeting on August 16th at the Sandy Pond Sportsman's Club. The county shared service meetings are complete and a plan is being written.

NEW BUSINESS – Office of the Aging will be at the Town Hall on September 27th from 11 am to 1 pm to assist residents with any questions they may have. There is an opening on the NOCA board for a representative from the Town of Sandy Creek. The Town of Sandy Creek's ambulance contract amount will be holding steady for next year. On September 24th there will be a presentation on lake effect snow at the Town Hall hosted by the NYS Tug Hill Commission. On September 21st all are invited to the POW-MIA remembrance dinner at the VFW in Lacona. On October 3rd the Dune Coalition will meet at the Town Hall from 11 am to 4 pm. The Town Board agreed on the following meeting dates for special budget meetings; October 11, 17, and 24th at 6pm. The public hearing on the 2019 budget will be held on November 7th at 6 pm.

PAYMENT OF BILLS RESOLUTION 80-18

On motion by Ruth E. Scheppard, seconded by Nola J. Gove, the following resolution was

ADOPTED - 5Ayes Ridgeway, Scheppard, Warner, Gove, Wood 0 No

Resolved that the bills be paid on Abstract #16 in the following amounts:

General Fund \$ 300.51 Trust & Agency \$ 9,884.24 **And** on Abstract #17 in the following amounts:

General Fund \$ 111,928.45 Trust & Agency \$ 6,168.91 Highway Fund \$ 125,042.39 Sewer Survey- H1 \$ 3,840.00 Water District #1-SW \$3,760.83 Water District #2-SW \$ 698.26 Water District #3-H3 \$ 87,898.90

TRANSFER OF FUNDS RESOLUTION 81-18

On motion by Ruth E. Scheppard, seconded by Nola J. Gove, the following resolution was

ADOPTED - 5 Ayes Warner, Wood, Scheppard, Ridgeway, Gove 0 No

Resolved that the Town Board of the Town of Sandy Creek authorizes the following transfers of funds:

FROM Line#	Description	TO Line#	Description	\$ Amount
A7510.2	Historian Equipment	A7510.4	Historian Contractual	\$1,000.00
DB5110.4	General Repairs Contractual	DB5112.2	Permanent Improvements Capital O	4,000.00
DB5110.4	General Repairs Contractual	DB5130.4	Machinery Contractual	1,000.00

Legislator – Margaret Kastler arrived late to the meeting and gave her report. The Oswego County Legislature will meet at 7 pm on September 13th. The county jail needs renovation and reorganization. The District Attorney's office needs more staff and pro bono attorneys are needed. The attorneys must be residents of Oswego County however. Youth age 16 to 18 need a juvenile facility, which the county does not have. Also women inmates are increasing in number and need separate areas in the jail. The equalization rate for Sandy Creek has dropped to 97% value. The county tax auction brought in over \$1million. Legislator Kastler attended the NYSAC meeting and school in Rochester in September. She serves on two committees there. Councilman Warner asked if the county could contribute toward the dredging of the channel into Sandy Pond. Changes to the county's snow and ice contract with the towns was discussed. This contract is supposed to be in effect on October 1st. The contract will alsobe discussed at the September 19th County Supervisors' meeting. The town has had no correspondence from the county on conveyance of a portion of Sunset Circle to the town.

The next regular monthly meeting of the Town Board will be held October 10th at 7 pm. **On motion** by Nola J. Gove, seconded by Ruth E. Scheppard and carried unanimously, the meeting was adjourned at 8:01pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Tammy L. Miller, Town Clerk