MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE TOWN BOARD TOWN OF SANDY CREEK 1992 HARWOOD DRIVE, PO BOX 52 SANDY CREEK, NEW YORK 13145-0052

Date:September 13, 2017 Kind of Meeting: Regular Place: Town Hall Board Members Present:Nancy Ridgeway Others Present:

John W. Wood, Jr. Dave Warner Ruth E. Scheppard Nola J. Gove

I, Jr. Tammy L. Miller Audrey Flynn, Esq. Dard Brittany M. Washburn Michael Kastler Shirley Rice Pat McCullough George B. Kalkowsky, I.E. John Howland@7:58 pm Jessica Godfrey Peggy Rice Bonnie Bryden Pat McDougal Norma Newman Wayne 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 83-17

On motion byRuth E. Scheppard, seconded by Dave Warner, the following resolution was

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

Resolved that the Town Board of the Town of Sandy Creek approves the minutes of the August 16^{th} meeting as written.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

The Town Board received a copy of the monthly financial report of the Supervisor. It was filed in the Town Clerk's office and is available for public inspection.

REPORTS:

<u>Assessor</u>–Rhonda Weigand's report is on file in the Town Clerk's office and available for public inspection. The Enhanced STAR renewal applications will be mailed out on September 21st and they would like them to be returned by October 31st.

<u>Dog Control Officer</u>- Elisa Dunn was absent this evening and no report was filed. <u>Historian</u> – Charlene Cole's monthly report is on file in the Town Clerk's office and available for public inspection. Mrs. Cole is interested in writing a grant to purchase a historical marker for the Town Hall building and for the former site of Blount Lumber Company.

<u>Town Justice</u>- The judges' reports for August have been received by the Town Supervisor. They had a busy month.

<u>Legislator</u> – Margaret Kastler was excused tonight due to her attendance at the NYSAC Fall Conference in Syracuse today.

<u>Library</u>- Director Jessica Godfrey reported that approximately 20 people attended Rocking with Painted Rocks on September 9th. They were mostly 3 to 5 year olds with their parents. On September 29th there will be a Stuffed Animal Sleepover. A Little Free Library that looks like Snoopy on his dog house has been installed in front of the library in memory of Rhonda M. Barron. It is waterproof and was made by staff member Celicia Robbins. The Town Board will tour the Library on November 8th at 6:15 pm. The freshly painted entryway looks good and now the light fixture needs replacing. <u>Planning Board</u> –Chairman Shirley Rice gavethe report of the Sandy Creek Regional Planning Board's meeting on September 5th. A public hearing regarding Allwood Log Products, Inc will be held October 3rd at 7 pm.

<u>Highway/Water Superintendent</u> –Michael C. Kastler read his highway and water reports. <u>Water Advisory Committee</u>–Minutes from theAugust 28th meeting have been filed. At the next meeting on September 25th some EDU's will be reviewed.

<u>Town Board</u>- Councilman Warner has been in contact with a company in Saranac Lake that installs solar panels on small parcels of land and they will be contacting the Town Clerk for some information. Councilman Wood has been doing some research on solar panels. Supervisor Ridgeway and Assessor Weigand have discussed exemptions and the option of the town negotiating pilot (payment in lieu of taxes) agreements for solar facilities.

<u>Town Clerk</u> – Tammy Miller reported that receipts and total disbursements for the month of August totaled \$6,256.50 of which \$1,866.43 was paid to Supervisor Ridgeway as town revenue. This report is on file in her office and available for public inspection. She and her deputy have been very busy selling hunting, fishing, and trapping licenses. <u>Engineers</u>– George B. Kalkowsky, I.E. of Barton & Loguidice, D.P.C. reported that the 2018 Drinking WaterState Revolving Fund application will be sent in by the end of the week. The 2018 Draft Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Intended Use Plan was released in August. There are some changes to the hardship criteria. Approximately 600 other municipalities are now not eligible for this money. B&L is working on getting more points for our application. We are still in need of more support letters for the project. We have approximately 20 letters as of today.

RESOLUTION 84-17

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

ADOPTED - 5 Ayes 0 No Ridgeway, Scheppard, Wood, Warner, Gove **Resolved** that the Town Board of the Town of Sandy Creek authorizes Barton & Loguidice, D.P.C. to proceed with preliminary engineering services for the Phase 1A Cultural Resources Study for the proposed Sandy Creek/Richland Joint Water Project for a lump sum of \$4,500.00.

PUBLIC COMMENT – There were none at this time.

OLD BUSINESS – The public hearingon the manure law will be held October 11th at 7 pm. Letters regarding the law went to the DEC, the NYS Department of Agriculture and Markets, and the Oswego County Planning Department. The Town Board wants to meet with the Village of Sandy Creek Board to discuss the increase in water rates for the November billing. There appears to be some incorrect numbers in the notice the village sent to the town in May.

NEW BUSINESS

All 2018 budget worksheets are due back to the Budget Officer by September 20th.

PAY BILLS RESOLUTION 85-17

On motion by Dave Warner, seconded byRuth E. Scheppard, the following resolution was ADOPTED - 5 Ayes Ridgeway, Warner, Scheppard, Wood, Gove

0 No **Resolved** that the bills be paid on Abstract #16 in the following amounts: General Fund \$ 62.37 Trust & Agency \$ 9,777.37 And on Abstract #17 in the following amounts: General Fund \$111,571.71 Trust & Agency \$6,480.86 Highway Fund \$ 61,902.84 Water District#1-SW \$8,377.71 Water District#2-SW \$ 10,496.89 Water District#3-H \$ 93.75

October 3rd at 6 pm the Town Board will hold the first budget meeting for 2018. A possible law or resolution for solar pilot agreements was discussed. The possibility of cell tower placement on the water tower in 2018 was discussed.

<u>Code Enforcement Officer</u> – John Howland entered the meeting at 7:58 pm. His report for August is on file in the Town Clerk's office. It was a busy month. Most of the violations have been taken care of.

RESOLUTION 86-17

On motion by Dave Warner, seconded byNancy Ridgeway, the following resolution was ADOPTED - 5 Ayes 0 No **Resolved** that Town Board of the Town of Sandy Creek authorizes Attorney Nelson to commence proceedings in State Supreme Court for the Greenfield violation if the compliance date is not met.

CEO Howland has been in communication with Taylor Kline regarding cell tower placement on our water tower. Verizon engineers have prioritized the site for a possible build in 2022. He also reported meeting with Town of Richland Supervisor Krupke and a representative from the CNY Planning Board regarding proposals for community-wide solar energy projects. There are incentive grants for these.

The next regular monthly meeting of the Town board will be October 11th at 7 pm. The next Water Advisory Committee meeting will be September 25that 6 pm.

On motion by Ruth E. Scheppard, seconded by Nola J. Gove, and carried unanimously, the meeting adjourned at8:12 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Tammy L. Miller, RMC Town Clerk