

TOWN OF MENTZ

REGULAR MEETING

MAY 21, 2024

The meeting was called to order at 7 PM by Supervisor Mark Emerson who led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag and requested a moment of silence.

Members Present: Supervisor Emerson, Councilman Chris Hutchings, Councilwoman Barbara Clancy, Councilman Matt Poyneer, and Councilman Jesse Lamouroux.

Others Present: Attorney Kevin Cox, Town Clerk Charleen Wood, Deputy Town Clerk/Cemetery Superintendent Lucy Ware, Highway Superintendent David Nielens, Code Enforcement Officer Jay Moose, Constable William Mammoliti, Donna & Walt Trumble, Bill & Debbie Applebee, Laurie Powers, Fred Whiting, Michael Gray, Laura Torres, Joyce Decker, Becky & Steve Siracusa, Polly Lyn Davies, Taylor Stebbins, Branden Magill, Damon Ritter, David Lipiska, Martha Robinson, Brenda Coleman, Lori Siracusa, and others that did not sign the roster.

Minutes Approval: Minutes of the April 16, 2024 Meeting:
Motion made by Matt Poyneer and seconded by Jesse Lamouroux to approve/accept the minutes as presented. Motion carried 5-0.
Minutes of the April 30, 2024 Public Hearing:
Motion made by Barbara Clancy and seconded by Matt Poyneer to approve/accept the minutes as presented. Motion carried 5-0.

Audit of Bills: **Motion** made by Barbara Clancy and seconded by Matt Poyneer to approve the following audit of bills. Motion carried 5-0.

General A	\$8,850.58	VO 70-84
General B	\$3,170.63	VO 26-27
Highway DB	\$2,229.74	VO 24-29
SW	\$2,894.63	VO 9

Old Business: **Waterline** – Jesse Lamouroux/Matt Poyneer – will have report next meeting.

New Business: **Cayuga County Housing/Micron Housing** – This is something to consider as we are one of the locations that could be affected by the Micron project.

NYS S.8512 – Real Property Tax – County is opposed – tabled until next meeting.

Fund Balance Policy – Board to review for next meeting.

Wire Transfer & On-line Policy – Board to review for next meeting.

Brian Gates/Water – Tabled until next meeting.

Reports:

Highway Department – David Nielens – Written Report

Roads & Bridges – Barbara Clancy – All running smooth

Code Enforcement – Jay Moose – Written Report

Buildings & Grounds – Chris Hutchings – Working on getting second quote for LED lights.

Dog Control – Lucy Ware – Written Report

Youth, Parks & Rec – Matt Poyneer – All running smooth – Thanked Highway Department for all their help.

Landfill & Recycling – Jesse Lamouroux – All running smooth.

Cemetery – Lucy Ware – All burials completed – Thanked Highway Department for excellent job in mowing and weeding the cemetery.

Planning Board – Need additional room for next meeting; Public Hearing was for the Site Plan Review of the Morgan transfer Station Site.

Bill Applebee asked if the Solar Plan vote could be reversed?

Discussion on when a decision could be made on the Morgan Transfer Station issue. Mr. Whiting advised that there were several more steps that needed to be taken before they could be approved or denied.

Various people spoke on the Morgan Transfer Station issue – does it fall under the Comprehensive Plan?

Matt Poyneer asked if we had recourse for the conduct that Mr. Blair displayed toward the Planning Board? Mr. Cox stated that we would be wasting our time in pursuing that avenue.

ZBA Board – Lucy Ware – No Report

Historian – Mike Riley – No Report

Town Clerk – Charleen Wood – Cayuga County Town Clerks meeting here on June 3: 2nd grade students here 6/11 for Judge & Jury

ZBA & Planning Board Liaison – Matt Poyneer – application for Transfer Station incomplete

Village Liaison – Mark Emerson – Mr. Morgan attended the Village board meeting and asked for their support for the Transfer project.

Veterans' Memorial – Lucy Ware – stated that the flagpole is being repaired and the flags will be put up. She thanked Jay Moose for the use of his lift equipment.

Supervisor Report: **Mark Emerson** – stated that a DEC permit for fiber optics (internet) in place and a phone had been ordered for the Code Enforcement Officer.

Barbara Clancy addressed the cars that are parked in our parking lot stating that there is a sign “No Overnight Parking.” The supervisor stated he had given permission for them to park in our lot while the parking area at the apartment complex it being paved. She stated that the board should have been consulted because of the town and library activities.

Bill Applebee commented on the Solar Public Hearing and the Lagoon.

Matt Poyneer encouraged election participation.

Jesse Lamouroux stated that the next food pantry truck was scheduled for July 23 at 4:00. He will be here to direct traffic, which worked out well for the past truck.

Motion made by Matt Poyneer and seconded by Barbara Clancy to go into Executive Session for personnel issues at 8:15 PM. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion made by Barbara Clancy and seconded by Matt Poyneer to come out of Executive Session at 8:45 PM. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion made by Barbara Clancy and seconded by Matt Poyneer to create a position for a Civil Service Planning Board Clerk. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion made by Barbara Clancy and seconded by Matt Poyneer to create a job description for this position. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion made by Barbara Clancy and seconded by Matt Poyneer to adjourn at 8:55 PM. Motion carried 5-0.

Charleen Wood
Town Clerk