

State of New York
County of Lewis
Town of Watson

September 14, 2022

The regular meeting of the Town of Watson was called to order on September 14, 2022 at 6:32pm by Supervisor Jeffrey Hoch.

Town Officials Present:

Supervisor: Jeffrey Hoch

Councilpersons: Mike Hanno, Vicki Roy and Shawn Freeman

Councilperson Absent: Jeff Lyng

Town Clerk: Michelle Ward

Hwy Superintendent: Steve Skiff - Absent

Citizens Present: Mary Misek, Bill and Judi Houppert, and Scott Lawrence

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Supervisor Jeffrey Hoch.

Town Business

Motion made by Vicki Roy and seconded by Shawn Freeman to accept August 10, 2022 minutes.

Ayes: Jeff Hoch, Mike Hanno, Vicki Roy and Shawn Freeman

Nays: None

Absent: Jeff Lyng

Motion so carried.

Motion made by Vicki Roy and seconded by Shawn Freeman to accept August 24, 2022 minutes.

Ayes: Jeff Hoch, Mike Hanno, Vicki Roy and Shawn Freeman

Nays: None

Absent: Jeff Lyng

Motion so carried.

Town Accountant: Scott Lawrence reviewed the monthly financials for August 2022, no questions or concerns voiced.

New Business: Thomas Turck Jr. was re-appointed as a Board of Assessment Review Member. His term will be October 1, 2022 – September 30, 2027.

Motion made by Mike Hanno and seconded by Shawn Freeman to re-appoint Thomas Turck Jr. to the BAR.

Ayes: Jeff Hoch, Mike Hanno, Vicki Roy and Shawn Freeman

Nays: None

Absent: Jeff Lyng

Motion so carried.

Resolution #10 – Town of Watson - NYClass – New York Cooperative Liquid Assets Securities System.

Motion was made by Mike Hanno and seconded by Vicki Roy to accept Resolution #10 – Town of Watson.

Ayes: Jeff Hoch, Mike Hanno, Vicki Roy and Shawn Freeman

Nays: None

Absent: Jeff Lyng

Motion so carried.

Water System: Resolution # 9 – 2022 – Town of Watson – Resolution determining that the proposed Town of Watson water district #4 Ext #1 outside district additional user will not have a significant effect on the environment. (Jim Fitzgerald property)

Motion made by Vicki Roy and seconded by Mike Hanno to accept Resolution #8-2022 – Town of Watson.

Ayes: Jeff Hoch, Mike Hanno, Vicki Roy and Shawn Freeman

Nays: None

Absent: Jeff Lyng

Motion so carried.

Highway – Steve Skiff – Absent – sent report with Jeff Hoch – Town Supervisor

Will be submitting CHIPS payment as soon as the last SUI-KOTE payments go in, should see reimbursement 12/15.

Will be starting pipes on the McPhilly Road next week.

Will be installing guide rail on the Stillwater Road where we changed the pipe sometime next week or the week after.

The county will be helping us do the install with used guide rail they have from where they changed the sections on the Number 4 Road.

Next week I will be attending the 2022 Fall Conference in Ellicottville.

Still no news on the pickup truck order.

Talked to Matt Schooley from Barton and Lagudace, the engineer for the bridge project. He doesn't expect construction to start until 2024. Asked him about any overages that he sees coming up in price, he says it's too early in the design phase, but the on-site surveying has been done. The only thing we would have to come up with is the 5% of the engineering cost. Zit would be around \$6,000.00.

Planning Board –Nettie Prusinowski was re-appointed as Chairperson to the planning board for a two year term. 5/1/2022-4/30/2024

Motion made by Vicki Roy and seconded by Mike Hanno to re-appoint Nettie Prusinowski as the Planning Board Chairperson.

Ayes: Jeff Hoch, Mike Hanno, Vicki Roy and Shawn Freeman

Nays: None

Absent: Jeff Lyng

Motion so carried.

Judith Houppert was re-appointed as a Planning Board Member for a two year term. 8/1/2022-7/31/2024

Motion made by Vicki Roy and seconded by Mike Hanno to re-appoint Judith Houppert as the Planning Board Member.

Ayes: Jeff Hoch, Mike Hanno, Vicki Roy and Shawn Freeman

Nays: None

Absent: Jeff Lyng

Motion so carried.

Town Attorney – Town Board requests to interview with Ian Gilbert, attorney. Jeffrey Hoch, Town Supervisor will set up a meeting.

Abstracts for September 2022 were submitted by Town Clerk.

Motion was made by Shawn Freeman and seconded by Mike Hanno to accept abstracts for payment.

Ayes: Jeff Hoch, Mike Hanno, Vicki Roy and Shawn Freeman

Nays: None

Absent: Jeff Lyng

Motion so carried.

Justice report for August 2022 submitted by Justice Donald Regetz, were reviewed and accepted by the board members.

Town Clerk and Dog Fund reports for August 2022 were submitted by Town Clerk Michelle Ward, were reviewed and accepted by the board members.

Ayes: Jeff Hoch, Mike Hanno, Vicki Roy and Shawn Freeman

Nays: None

Absent: Jeff Lyng

Motion so carried.

Executive Session to discuss Teamsters contract negotiations.

Motion made Shawn Freeman and seconded by Mike Hanno to enter executive session at 7:18pm.

Ayes: Jeff Hoch, Mike Hanno, Vicki Roy and Shawn Freeman

Nays: None

Absent: Jeff Lyng

Motion so carried.

Motion made Shawn Freeman and seconded by Mike Hanno to exit executive session at 9:55pm.

Ayes: Jeff Hoch, Mike Hanno, Vicki Roy and Shawn Freeman

Nays: None

Absent: Jeff Lyng

Motion so carried.

Motion made by Mike Hanno and seconded by Shawn Freeman to adjourn the meeting at 9:55pm.

Ayes: Jeff Hoch, Mike Hanno, Vicki Roy and Shawn Freeman

Nays: None

Absent: Jeff Lyng

Motion so carried.

Next Meeting: October 12, 2022

Michelle Ward, Town Clerk