

April 06, 2022

The regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Colchester, Delaware County, New York was held on Wednesday, April 06, 2022 at 7:00 PM at the Town Hall.

Present: Arthur M. Merrill Supervisor
Janet L. Champlin Councilwoman
Gregory L. Lavorgna Councilman
Julie A. Markert Councilwoman
Daniel J. Pinner Councilman

Recording Secretary: Julie B. Townsend Town Clerk

Others present: Alan Donner, Pio Deronda and Officer Cawley. Zoom Attendees: none.

The Meeting was called to order by Supervisor Arthur M. Merrill and led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The minutes of the last regular meeting, March 16, 2022 had been distributed earlier. Janet Champlin made the motion to accept the minutes as written, seconded by Greg Lavorgna, all in favor, motion carried.

VISITOR COMMENTS: Alan Donner inquired if anything has been changed for the Planning Board on the website? Supervisor replied that he thought it had been taken care of; he suggested that he contact Dawn D'Addezio.

CORRESPONDENCE:

- Colchester Senior Citizens- Thank you for generous donation, planning trip to Lake George and Silver Birch.

REPORTS- written reports on file at Town Clerk's Office:

- Cooks Falls Water District- March 2022- 17 customer balance due \$850.00; Receipts of \$105.00 disbursed to Supervisor.
- Downsville Water District- March 2022- 23 customers balance due \$2,221.50; Receipts of \$278.12 disbursed to Supervisor.
- Town Clerk- March 2022- Total disbursed \$1,430.01 of which \$1,369.51 was Town revenues.
- Police- March 2022 Activity Report.
- Town Justice Edel- March 2022.
- Planning Board- Minutes of February 17, 2022
- Town Historian- Colchester History Connections Newsletter: Volume 12, Issue 1.

Supervisor Merrill reported that meter installation has started for the Downsville Water District, but three leaks have been found and need to be taken care of first; two have been repaired and the third one is on Clark Street extension and is the water district's responsibility

Supervisor reported that a meeting was held with NYCDEP regarding their hookup to the DWD; the engineers are looking at the costs for the project.

Supervisor Merrill reported that the moving company, Interstate Homes, is welding the middle section of the Mobile Office Unit; waiting for better weather to move to Downsville as they will need to put the roof back together.

Supervisor asked for discussion on the American Rescue Plan. Supervisor reported that Alpine Roofing is coming next week to review roofing projects and give an estimate; he also received a quote from Anthony Santiago of Walton, NY to put a new service in at the Transfer Station; a

300amp service estimated at \$6,000-7,000; to replace all the lights is estimated at \$8,000-10,000. Councilman Pinner reported that Joe Beahan of Seabright Products, Inc is coming out next Thursday to spec out a compactor for the transfer station. Board discussed.

NO. 28-2021 04/06/22 300amp Service at the Transfer Station

Upon recommendation from the Supervisor, Janet Champlin made the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Colchester hereby agrees to proceed further with Anthony Santiago to install an 300amp service at the Transfer Station located at 13946 State Hwy 30, Downsville at a cost not to exceed \$7,000.00.

Resolution seconded by Dan Pinner, all in favor, resolution declared adopted.

Supervisor Merrill reported that we have received a Lead Agency Coordination Request from NYSDEC for a Mined Land Reclamation Permit of Sonny & Sons Stone Company, LLC; the applicant proposes establish a new +/-10acre bluestone mining operation within a previously excavated and un-reclaimed area located off of Barney Hollow Road in the Town of Colchester; NYSDEC wishes to assume lead agency status for this action. Board discussed.

NO. 29-2021 04/06/22 NYSDEC as Lead Agency

Greg Lavorgna made the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Sonny & Sons Stone Company, LLC proposes to establish a new +/-10acre bluestone mining operation within a previously excavated and un-reclaimed area located off of Barney Hollow Road in the Town of Colchester; and

WHEREAS, the State of New York requires an environmental review of such projects;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town of Colchester has no objections with NYSDEC designating itself as lead agency for the Mined Land Reclamation Permit DEC #4-1224-00636/00001, as required by the State Environmental Quality Review Act.

Resolution seconded by Janet Champlin, all in favor, resolution declared adopted.

Supervisor reported that Nate Homovich would like to have the 2018 GMC 3500HD Cemetery Truck detailed with ceramic coating; he has received Quote #241 from Executive Auto Detailing & Ceramic Coatings of \$600.00. Board discussed.

NO. 30-2021 04/06/22 Accept Quote of Executive Auto Detailing & Ceramic Coatings

Julie Markert made the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Colchester hereby accepts the Quote #241 from Executive Auto Detailing & Ceramic Coatings of 15200 State Hwy 30, Downsville, NY for a Wash & Decontaminate Exterior Paint Surfaces, Two Stage Machine Buff/Polish, and System X-Max Ceramic Coating Prep & Application for a total of \$600.00.

Resolution seconded by Janet Champlin, all in favor, resolution declared adopted.

Supervisor added that the Cemetery Crew is working on drainage of the North Section; also looking for solution of drainage for Butcher Section; it was engineered many years ago at an expensive cost; they would like to re-pave the roads within Paige Cemetery.

Supervisor Merrill reported that we need to fill a vacancy on the Board of Assessment Review; Tom Zampolin has agreed to fill out the term. Board discussed.

NO. 31-2021 04/06/22 Appoint Thomas R. Zampolin to Board of Assessment Review

Upon recommendation from the Supervisor and Assessor, Julie Markert made the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Colchester hereby appoints Thomas R. Zampolin of Jug Tavern Road, Downsville, New York to the Board of Assessment Review for the term of 04-06-2022 to 09-30-2023.

Resolution seconded by Dan Pinner, all in favor, resolution declared adopted.

Supervisor reported that there seems to be a concern with Town Employees responding to EMS & Fire Calls. Board discussed and agreed that a policy should be written.

Supervisor Merrill made the following announcements:

- Next Regular Meeting is Wed., April 20th at 7PM.

Supervisor inquired if we wanted to continue with ZOOM meetings. Board discussed.

NO. 32-2021 04/06/22 Discontinue ZOOM Meetings

Julie Markert made the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Colchester hereby declares that at this time ZOOM Meetings will be discontinued.

Resolution seconded by Janet Champlin, all in favor, resolution declared adopted.

Councilwoman Champlin reported that we have five kids signed up to take a lifeguard class at SUNY Delhi; we also have three lifeguards that would like to take the WSI Class at the Catskill Recreation Center in Arkville and would like help with the fee of \$375 each. Board discussed.

NO. 33-2021 04/06/22 WSI Class

Greg Lavorgna made the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Colchester hereby approves the WSI application and fee of \$375.00 for each lifeguard to attend the WSI Training at the Catskill Recreation Center in Arkville, NY, June 3-5, 2022, for the following lifeguards: Ava Guglielmo, Kayla Houck and Stephine Foote.

Resolution seconded by Julie Markert, all in favor, resolution declared adopted.

Councilwoman Champlin added that she is looking into construction costs for lowering the sides of the pool pavilion for shade and alternate materials; she stated that the pool needs three umbrellas, they did not have any last year. Supervisor reported that he has received the application for the pool permit and will start working on it soon.

Councilman Lavorgna reported that Spectrum is coming to the Cooks Falls Garage/Court on Thursday, April 14th.

Councilwoman Champlin stated that Senior Meals will be available for dining-in at the Downsville Fire Hall starting May 10th.

Councilwoman Markert inquired to the status of the Charging Station. Supervisor replied that we have a new modem and Colleen Griffith is contacting JayTeks to install. Councilwoman Markert commented that we need to know how to charge customers.

Councilman Pinner commented that since Joel Melton volunteered to help with engineering, he suggested that we contact him to design a covering for the C&D bin at the transfer station. Supervisor will contact Joel Melton. Supervisor added that we are going to put up pipes and chains at the transfer station; we are also looking into jersey barriers that can be moved.

Councilwoman Markert commented that she saw another Colchester Senior Citizens Bus Trip was advertised; this trip stated it was for anyone. Board discussed. Board is concerned that their annual donation to the Senior Citizens was for bus trips for Colchester Senior Citizens.

SUBMISSION OF BILL/EXPENSES: Julie Markert made the motion, seconded by Janet Champlin, that the vouchers be approved, subject to any corrections or deletions, all in favor, motion carried. Abstract No. 06-2022 Voucher No.160-188; Totaling \$26,666.34.

With no further business, Greg Lavorgna made the motion for adjournment, seconded by Dan Pinner, all in favor, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:05 PM.

Respectfully Submitted:

Julie B. Townsend, Town Clerk