

Town of Hermon held a Public Hearing on May 10, 2022 at 5:30 p.m. at the Hermon Town Offices 109 Church Street Hermon.

Present were Supervisor Arthur Baker. Town Council: Robert LaClair Jr., John Reed, Kathy Carpenter. Absent Bernard Reed Jr.

Also present were Chris Stransky, Ed Carpenter, Mike McQuade, Sharon and Brian Brunet, Anthony Youngs, Brett McVoy, Chris Velez, Larry Denesha, Roger and Lenore Zaubere, and Bill Dashnaw.

Supervisor Arthur Baker made a motion to open the Meeting at 5:30 p.m.

Anthony Young and Brett McVoy with Barton & Loguidice held discussion on sewer district maps, plans and reports including an estimate of cost.

Kathy Carpenter made the motion to close the Public Hearing at 5:50 p.m. Seconded by John Reed. All in favor.

The regular meeting of the Town Board was held on May 10, 2022, at the Hermon Town Hall.

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The meeting was called to order at 6 p.m. Pledge of Allegiance said by all.

Minutes of the previous meeting as submitted were approved on motion by Kathy Carpenter. Seconded by Robert LaClair Jr.

Welcome visitors.

Legislator Larry Denesha

COVID- SLC Public Health will be reporting 2 times per week. 19 people currently in the hospital. 191 deaths since the beginning of the pandemic. 61% of SLC is fully vaccinated.

In St. Lawrence County there are 190 Bridges. 12 are closed, 55 are deficient and need work within the next 10 years.

1-2 bridges per year using state funding and 3 bridges using St Lawrence County funds. There are 574 miles of highway in St. Lawrence County

Bill Dashnaw

Discussion on ARPA-(COVID) money was had about what the Town Board wanted to use it for. Total \$106,974.03

Could be used for Water/sewer, Library steps, looks like its wide open for most anything.

Arthur Baker-Town Supervisor Report

2021 Sales Tax to date: \$147,912.07

2022 Sales Tax to date: \$168,827.84 2022 increase of \$20,915.77

Michael McQuade Code Officer and Assessor

April: 3-building permits

Would like to do a Local Law for Solar Farms-fees and zoning and update a Local Law.

Roll completed- filed with the county and hours posted in Watertown Times and Town Bulletin Board

Grievance Day is June 2, 2022 from 4pm to 8 pm

Daniel Moyer Dog Control

Ag and Markets inspection passed with no problems.

Historian Lenore Zauhere

Brian Thompson -DeKalb Historian is holding a workshop May 25, 2022 for the elementary grades 2, 3, 4 & 5 classes at Hermon Dekalb school on how laundry was done and how to darn socks.

DeKalb Historian Brian Thompson is looking for information for the Genealogy on Diary of Babcocks. Lenore said she had found some information and had digitized about 5 years ago.

Chris Stransky Water/Sewer Report April 2022

Total Discharge 3,163,000

Total Pumped 2,596,100

Hermon 1,799,400

Dekalb 796,700

Need to get a bigger lawn mower. Will sell the Husqvarna that was purchased last year, it is too small.

Checked pricing at Sully's and Woodchop Shop.

Kathy Carpenter made the motion to purchase a bigger lawn mower. Seconded by Robert LaClair Jr. All in favor and carried.

Also need to rent 2 Porta Pottys- one each: McBrier park and recreation park.

Kathy Carpenter made the motion for approval of renting two porta pottys for over the summer months. Seconded by John Reed. All in favor and carried.

Old Business

Discussion of ATV use was tabled for this meeting.

We received a bill from Hoffman and Eells. Supervisor Baker called and spoke to Nicolas Eells and he said that we do not owe them anything and they are no longer working for the Town of Hermon.

Kathy Carpenter wants to hire a new CPA firm.

Highway Superintendent Brian Brunet

Agreement to spend Highway money Amendment John Reed made motion to accept the Amendment. Seconded by Kathy Carpenter. All in favor and carried.

New Business

Barton & Loguidice

2 Resolutions to be decided upon.

Resolution 7-2022

Public Interest Orders Robert LaClair Jr. made the motion to pass. Seconded by Kathy Carpenter.

Roll Call- Kathy Carpenter-yes

John Reed -yes

Robert LaClair Jr.- yes

Arthur Baker-yes

Resolution 8-2022

Bond Resolution \$2 million dollars, John Reed made the motion to pass. Seconded by Kathy Carpenter.

Roll Call- Kathy Carpenter-yes

John Reed -yes

Robert LaClair Jr. -yes

Arthur Baker-yes

Water design- Barton & Loguidice Engineers need permission to do the design

Kathy Carpenter made motion to do the design for water. Seconded by Robert LaClair Jr.. All in favor.

Town and County taxes on the 2 parcels/ properties we own are in Towns of Dekalb and Russell. Both Towns want the tax monies.

A discussion was had about what to use the COVID money for-also could do a bathroom up at the Recreation Park.

Kathy Carpenter made a motion to rent a Tent for the Atkinson Music performance in July. Price around \$260.00 Seconded by John Reed. All in favor and carried.

John Reed made a motion to approve the transfers for the monthly bills. Seconded by Kathy Carpenter. All in favor and carried.

A call was made to National Grid about putting a streetlight on the Miles Road, would cost about \$2,000.00 for a new one. So it was decided to use existing pole, put light on and will cost about \$98.00 for the year.

Resolution 9-2022

RESOLUTION REGARDING CENTRALIZED ARRAIGNMENTS

WHEREAS, St. Lawrence County is submitting to the New York State Office of Court Administration a plan for counsel at initial appearance coverage for arraignments in local courts; and

WHEREAS, the plan provides for a central arraignment part conducted twice a day at the St. Lawrence County jail rather than at the town or village location of the arrest; and

WHEREAS, this plan requires the cooperation of the various local town and village justices; and

WHEREAS, this plan should assure consistency in representation as well as in the afterhours schedules of the various town and village justices; and

WHEREAS, this program will promote efficiencies among the town and village justices as well as county operations providing for mutual co-operation of the County's municipalities; now therefore be it:

RESOLVED, that the Town of Hermon hereby indicates its support for the County's plan for counsel at initial appearance coverage for arraignments in local courts.

By unanimous vote of the Town Board of the Town of Hermon at its regular meeting on 9th of May 2022, does hereby support this plan.

Arthur Baker, Supervisor

Karen Wayering, Town Clerk

Council Members:

Arthur Baker- yea

Kathy Carpenter- yea

John Reed- yea

Robert Laclair Jr.-yea

John Reed made the motion to adjourn at 8:15 pm. Seconded by Robert LaClair Jr.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Wayering, Town Clerk