

**Town of Tully
August 12, 2020**

7:30PM

**REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING
IN TOWN HALL PRACTICING SOCIAL DISTANCING
5833 MEETINGHOUSE ROAD
TULLY NEW YORK**

Members Present: Supervisor John Masters
Councilor John Snavlin
Councilor Catherine Goodwin
Councilor Frank Speziale
Councilor Christopher Chapman
Town Clerk Susan Vaccaro

Others present: Town Attorney Robert S. DeMore, Financial Officer Thomas Chartrand, Parks & Rec Director Ryan Dando, Highway Superintendent John Herold, Fire Captain Chad Wakula, *The Tully News* Editor Ben Bibik

Supervisor Masters opened the meeting and led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The meeting began with a discussion regarding the potential for a four-way stop at the intersection of Route 80, Lake Road and Route 11a. Supervisor Masters stated he had received a tremendous number of calls as to the basic infrastructure that was already in place at the intersection. Public input was mostly negative. Brief discussion.

RESOLUTION 85-20
MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE JULY 8TH MEETING. Motion by Councilor Snavlin. Second by Councilor Speziale. Motion carried 5 ayes (Masters, Speziale, Goodwin, Snavlin, Chapman) 0 nays

RESOLUTION 86-20
MOTION TO APPROVE THE VOUCHERS. Motion by Councilor Goodwin. Second by Councilor Speziale. Motion carried 5 ayes (Masters, Speziale, Goodwin, Snavlin, Chapman) 0 nays

Financial Report

Tom Chartrand reviewed receipts and disbursements for the month of July. He reported it was a quiet month for town clerk fees; stated that the NYCLASS interest is down; justice court fines are starting to pick up; county mortgage tax came in slightly short of 50%. Brief discussion. On the highway fund, we did get the second half of the snow and ice removal money from the county, and we're still expecting another \$900 from St. Charles Bay private roads. Our ambulance recoveries were almost \$24,000, so we're very good on that. On the expenditure side, we had some bond payments for trucks, ambulances and for Aldi. Discussion followed.

RESOLUTION 87-20
MOTION TO ACCEPT THE FINANCIAL REPORT. Motion by Councilor Snavlin. Second by Councilor Chapman. Motion carried 5 ayes (Masters, Speziale, Goodwin, Snavlin, Chapman) 0 nays

Mr. Chartrand advised that he would be sending out budget letters at the end of the month and would probably ask for them back by the September board meeting. He would like to hold a budget workshop on the fourth Wednesday which would be September 23rd and asked board members for a preferred time to hold that meeting. The board agreed that 6pm would be a good time to meet. Discussion followed.

RESOLUTION 88-20
MOTION SETTING SEPTEMBER 23RD AT 6PM FOR A BUDGET WORKSHOP AS WELL AS ANY OTHER BUSINESS THAT MAY COME BEFORE THE BOARD AT THAT TIME. Motion by Supervisor Masters. Second by Councilor Goodwin. Motion carried 5 ayes (Masters, Speziale, Goodwin, Snavlin, Chapman) 0 nays

Highway

John Herold reported on the following:

- Good month; got a lot of paving done
- No major repairs this month on equipment
- We're still doing road repairs and helping other towns with their paving
- We continue with roadside mowing, ditching
- We hired Barton & Loguidice about the Village bridge which we had talked about last year; John met with the engineer a few weeks ago. He inspected the bridge and found

it to be structurally sound. A lot of the work would be cosmetic repairs. Discussion followed regarding the cost of the project which would be between \$300,000 and \$500,000, and there are grants that could be applied for such as from a program called Bridge New York.

- John also discussed having hired a trapper for the beaver problem on Green Lake. Lengthy discussion followed.
- Tully Cleanup Day is being scheduled for October 10th from 9am to 3pm. Discussion ensued, and it was requested of Ben Bibik that he put an item in the newsletter and an announcement on the Tully website.

Ambulance

Fire Captain Chad Wakula reported on the following:

- Number of EMS calls for July was 43
- Still no reschedule date for the NYS DOH full-service inspection
- We have purchased a Stryker Power Pro stretcher from Minoa
- A-2 was at Mc Nerney's for A/C repair; A-1 will be going for service this month
- Oxygen cylinders are being rotated to Jerome Fire Equipment for hydrostatic testing

Parks & Recreation

Ryan Dando reported this evening on Parks & Rec activities:

- Getting ready to close Green Lake; have gotten many compliments from residents who have been attending all summer and were very grateful that we made the effort to open; the lifeguards have done all the work and have been fantastic
- Tennis courts are being used; the fields are being used a lot; all coaches have been adhering to the rules about wearing masks and social distancing
- Going to try to do rec soccer this Fall; ongoing communication with Fabius and Lafayette to exchange ideas about how it's going to work; not going to travel to play other teams, but we're trying to follow the template that New York State has put out for us; hoping by September 1, we'll have an idea by then of how it's going to work

Supervisor Masters advised the board members that he had had some complaints about people driving into the old Lowell property on Lake Road and down to the lake and doing some partying. Brief discussion followed, and it was agreed that John Herold and his crew would put some signs up.

Fire

Councilor Speziale reported that the commissioners would start working on the budget at the next meeting. He also reported that Sonny Battle will be stepping down as one of the fire commissioners. Brief discussion.

Establish Interview Committee

Supervisor Masters advised that there was one open seat on the zoning board and two open seats on the grievance board. He asked for volunteers to form a committee to interview applicants for those positions. Chris Chapman and John Snavlin volunteered to do the interviews.

Next, there was discussion as to whether there should be three members or five on the grievance board of assessment review. After some discussion, it was agreed that there should be five members on that board.

RESOLUTION 89-20

MOTION BY SUPERVISOR MASTERS, SECOND BY COUNCILOR SPEZIALE, STATING THAT THE TOWN OF TULLY AUTHORIZES THE TULLY TOWN COURT TO APPLY FOR A JCAP GRANT IN THE 2020-21 GRANT CYCLE FOR UP TO \$30,000 OR THE EXACT AMOUNT BEING REQUESTED. Motion carried 5 ayes (Masters, Speziale, Goodwin, Snavlin, Chapman) 0 nays

RESOLUTION 90-20

RESOLVED, by the Town Board of the Town of Tully that *Retention and Disposition Schedule for New York Local Government Records (LGS-1)*, issued pursuant to Article 57-A of the Arts and Cultural Affairs Law, and containing legal minimum retention periods for local government records, is hereby adopted for use by all officers in legally disposing of valueless records listed therein.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that in accordance with Article 57-A:

- (a) only those records will be disposed of that are described in *Retention and Disposition Schedule for New York Local Government Records (LGS-1)*, after they have met the minimum retention periods described therein;
- (b) only those records will be disposed of that do not have sufficient administrative, fiscal, legal, or historical value to merit retention beyond established legal minimum periods.

Motion by Supervisor Masters. Second by Councilor Goodwin. Motion carried 5 ayes (Masters, Speziale, Goodwin, Snavlin, Chapman) 0 naves for Resolution 90-20

RESOLUTION 91-20

MOTION NAMING THE BALLFIELD ON TOWN PROPERTY IN MEMORY OF WILLIAM A. LUND JR, OUR FORMER TOWN SUPERVISOR. Motion by Supervisor Masters. Second by Councilor Speziale. Motion carried 5 ayes (Masters, Speziale, Goodwin, Snavlin, Chapman) 0 naves

Supervisor Masters explained that the family would like to have a dedication ceremony either in October of this year or the following May. Brief discussion.

Floor – Public Input

No comments from the floor this evening.

Legal

Supervisor Masters announced that there were a number of legal topics to be discussed this evening including the establishment of values for the PILOT agreements with both community-based and utility-based solar facilities.

RESOLUTION 92-20

MOTION PROPOSING TO NB DEVELOPMENT THAT WE WOULD LIKE TO HAVE A PER MEGAWATT BASIS, \$6000 ANNUALLY PER MEGAWATT WITH A 3% PER YEAR ESCALATOR AND WOULD REQUIRE THE TOWN PORTION TO BE 40% AND THE SCHOOL PORTION TO BE 60%. Motion by Supervisor Masters. Second by Councilor Goodwin. Motion carried 5 ayes (Masters, Speziale, Goodwin, Snavlin, Chapman) 0 naves

RESOLUTION 93-20

MOTION TO HAVE A MEETING ON AUGUST 26TH AT 7PM TO ENACT A DECISION ON A HOST COMMUNITY FEE TO THE TOWN FOR COMMUNITY-BASED PROJECTS. Motion by Supervisor Masters. Second by Councilor Snavlin. Motion carried 5 ayes (Masters, Speziale, Goodwin, Snavlin, Chapman) 0 naves

RESOLUTION 94-20

MOTION THAT WE MEET ON AUGUST 26TH AT 7PM TO ESTABLISH THE PILOT RATES FOR THE DELAWARE RIVER SOLAR PROJECT. Motion by Supervisor Masters. Second by Councilor Snavlin. Motion carried 5 ayes (Masters, Speziale, Goodwin, Snavlin, Chapman) 0 naves

Next topic, there was discussion regarding an email received from a George Moreau at a company, *Parsons*, that a site investigation is planned at the Tully Town Sanitary Landfill on Truxton Road. Town Attorney Bob DeMore advised the town clerk to let *Parsons* know it's okay to go ahead with the scheduled work for the fall or early winter.

Next, Supervisor Masters advised that Cranesville Block has been notified that they are in violation of the settlement agreement for failure to produce an insurance policy that covers well depletion. Brief discussion.

Mr. Masters advised that he had attended several meetings regarding the possible formation of a water district on Rt. 11a. Thirteen residents of Tully are affected and some thirty in the Town of Lafayette. We're waiting for a formal response from Honeywell as to how much money they might want to invest in this project.

And finally, John mentioned that he had spoken to several residents on both Crooked Lake and Tully Lake asking the Town to consider legislation preventing the practice referred to as keyholing. It was suggested that the Town of Preble has such a law that we may want to look at and use as a model. Brief discussion.

Councilor Speziale mentioned that there was discussion a while back regarding expanding broadband from Binghamton to Syracuse, and he wondered if there were any updates on that. The general response was no, but it was David Knapp who had first discussed it so it was agreed that he should be contacted.

With no further discussions, the following motion was made:

MOTION TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 8:30PM. Motion was made by Councilor Speziale. Second by Councilor Chapman. Motion carried 5 ayes (Masters, Speziale, Goodwin, Snavlin, Chapman) 0 naves

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Vaccaro, Town Clerk