

**REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING
TOWN OF TULLY TOWN HALL
5833 MEETINGHOUSE RD
TULLY NEW YORK**

Members Present: Supervisor John Masters
Councilor John Snavlin
Councilor Frank Speziale
Councilor David Meixell

Absent: Councilor Christopher Chapman

Town Clerk Susan Vaccaro, RMC

Others present: Town Attorney Robert S. DeMore, Financial Officer Thomas Chartrand, Highway Superintendent John Herold, Parks & Recreation Director Sarah Panzarella, Fire Captain Chad Wakula, The Tully News Editor Ben Bibik and several residents: Mark D., Marian J. and Mike V.

7:30PM

Supervisor Masters declared the town board meeting open and led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

County Legislator David Knapp gave a presentation on broadband in hard-to-reach areas of Onondaga County. Mr. Knapp has been working with the county executive to expand broadband in these areas and has succeeded. He reported that Verizon won the bid for replacing the old copper piping with FIOS which is the latest technology, and they are starting to install FIOS in residents' homes. Brief discussion.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the June 12th meeting were made available via email to all board members.

Motion was made by Councilor Snavlin and seconded by Councilor Speziale to approve the minutes. Motion carried.

(Masters, Snavlin, Speziale, Meixell) Ayes 4 Nays 0

Vouchers

Motion was made by Councilor Meixell and seconded by Councilor Speziale to pay the audited bills out of the proper funds. Motion carried.

(Masters, Snavlin, Speziale, Meixell) Ayes 4 Nays 0

Financial Report

Tom reported on receipts and disbursements for the month of June; briefly reported on the new ICS account which is at 5.05% and is working out well; court fines were great; we received the second half of the snowplow money from the County; ambulance recoveries were excellent; general spending is at 38%; highway spending is at 17%; ambulance spending is at 48%. Expenses were quiet. There were no transfers.

Motion by Councilor Snavlin and seconded by Councilor Meixell to accept the financial report. Motion carried.

(Masters, Snavlin, Speziale, Meixell) Ayes 4 Nays 0

Motion by Supervisor Masters and seconded by Councilor Speziale to accept the bank reconciliation. Motion carried.

(Masters, Snavlin, Speziale, Meixell) Ayes 4 Nays 0

Highway

John Herold reported on the following:

- Good month; some repairs, but hard to find parts
- Roadside mowing
- Doing some tree trimming

Councilor Speziale asked about progress on the new shop to be built. Mr. Herold reported that they just don't have enough money right now. Brief discussion followed.

Ambulance

Fire Captain Chad Wakula reported on ambulance activities:

- Number of EMS calls for June was 51
- We are waiting on parts to complete the air conditioning repairs to A-2
- New York State Department of Health full service inspection was completed June 12th. We passed, but had to make some minor corrections
- OSHA standards for Fire and EMS are changing; just starting to get into them; reps from the fire district have been to several regional meetings.

Parks & Recreation

Sarah Panzarella reported on summer activities:

- Green Lake, swim lessons are ongoing
- Looking for quotes for the bathroom renovations; need contractors
- Camps are up and running or pending in the next month or so
- Looking for quotes for the bathroom renovations; need names of contractors
- Included in the vouchers is a \$1200 bill for plumbing at the beach; brief discussion

Fire

Councilor Speziale reported that OSHA is an ongoing issue. The apparatus is due for service this time of year. And we lost two boys, one from Cuyler and one from Tully, Nate Doody and Tyler Memory. It was just a freak accident.

Updates

Supervisor Masters discussed several updates the first one being that the Rt.11A water district is complete. Brief explanation including the fact that the old line is disconnected after which came the following motion:

Resolution 66-24

Motion to authorize the Town Supervisor to sign the Certificate of Substantial Completion. Motion by Councilor Snavlin, seconded by Councilor Speziale. Motion carried.
(Masters, Snavlin, Speziale, Meixell) Ayes 4 Nays 0

Next, Supervisor Masters presented a change order and asked for a motion to approve.

Resolution 67-24

Motion by Councilor Snavlin and seconded by Councilor Meixell authorizing Supervisor Masters to approve the Change Order. Motion carried.
(Masters, Snavlin, Speziale, Meixell) Ayes 4 Nays 0

Resolution 68-24

Whereas, the town of Tully hereby requests financial assistance from the New York State Climate Smart Communities Grant Program pursuant to Environmental Conservation Law Article 54 Title 15, and

Whereas, the town of Tully certifies that it has identified \$61,525.15 of matching funds from in kind contributions provided by municipal staff and cash contributions from municipal partners, including the village of Tully pursuant to the requirements of Environmental Conservation Law Article 54 Title 15,

Now, therefore, be it resolved, that the town of Tully hereby authorizes John Masters, Town Supervisor, an official or employee, to act on its behalf in submittal of an application through the Consolidated Funding Application for \$123,050.30 to be used for the Elm Street Safe Sidewalk project.

Adopted this 10th day of July, 2024.

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted by the town of Tully at a legal meeting on the 10th day of July, 2024.

**Susan Vaccaro, RMC
Town Clerk of the Town of Tully**

Afterwards, there was some discussion regarding maintenance of the sidewalk as well as whether the SUNY College of Environmental Science and Forestry located on the corner of Routes 281 and I-81 was notified of this project. Mr. Masters confirmed that they were notified.

Next, there was discussion regarding the appointment of Sarah Panzarella as lake director for a total stipend of \$5,000 after which came the following motion:

Resolution 69-24

Motion to appoint Sarah Panzarella as lake director for a total stipend of \$5,000. Motion by Councilor Speziale, seconded by Councilor Snavlin. Motion carried.
(Masters, Snavlin, Speziale, Meixell) Ayes 4 Nays 0

Public input from Floor

None.

Legal

Town attorney Robert DeMore handed out a copy of a proposed local law 1 for 2024 which would update our zoning laws. This is just Phase 1 which is focused on business areas. We can then move forward from there. Supervisor Masters reported that the grant came through for the zoning update.

Resolution 70-24

Motion to authorize Supervisor Masters to contract with the engineering firm of Barton & Loguidice for the zoning update. Motion by Councilor Meixell, seconded by Councilor Speziale. Motion carried.
(Masters, Snavlin, Speziale, Meixell) Ayes 4 Nays 0

Next, resident Mark Drumm spoke regarding his plan for the property he would like to develop on the corner across from Burger King and read from the zoning law update that was handed out this evening. He told the board that he was starting to embrace the idea of a planned unit development, a PUD, which would basically mix commercial and residential uses and screen the neighbors. It would be a town center,

a "keystone" to the town. He asked the board to sit down with him and discuss his ideas and consider what he could possibly do with that property. Mr. Masters thanked him for his input.

Next, there was some discussion regarding PILOT agreements and county actions.

Close of Meeting

Motion was made by Councilor Snavlin, second by Councilor Speziale to adjourn the meeting at 8:40pm. Motion carried.

(Masters, Snavlin, Speziale, Meixell) Ayes 4 Nays 0

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Vaccaro, RMC
Town Clerk