# Town of Andes Regular Meeting September 8<sup>th</sup>, 2020 7:00PM Andes Town Hall and Via Zoom

#### **Present:**

Councilman Thomas Hall
Councilman Shayne Moshier
Supervisor Wayland 'Bud' Gladstone

Highway Superintendent John Bouton-Absent & Excused

Councilman Ritchie Gabriel Councilman Dale Cole Town Clerk Kimberly Tosi

#### Others:

Sean Leddy- Delaware County Planning Kelly M. Zimmerman-Delaware Academy

#### Others via Zoom:

Rachel Andrews Stephen Zukaitis
Kelly Short Adam L.

Peter Calvert-Andes Gazette Alyshia Korba

Ryan Abbate Jay B.
Betaworks Studio (Ben) Therese

Eric Van Benschoten 3 unknown viewers

#### Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Gladstone at 7:02PM.

#### Pledge:

The pledge of allegiance was led and recited by Councilman Cole.

# **Approval of Minutes:**

Motion to approve the August 2020 Minutes and September 2020 Special Meeting Minutes, made by Councilman Moshier, Seconded by Councilman Cole. All in favor, Motion carried.

# **Privilege of the Floor:**

Sean Leddy and Kelly M. Zimmerman

RE: Introduction of new Delaware Academy School District Superintendent

Ms. Zimmerman introduced herself as the new Superintendent of the Delaware Academy School District. There are some properties in Andes within the DA school district and students from Andes who attend DA. She also answered questions from the board regarding their reopening plans and stated her strong confidence in their plan.

# **Reports:**

# Supervisor's Report

- \*Received a quote from Cedarwood Engineering for using their camera to check the septic lines. NYC DEP will cover this cost through O&M because it is urgent.
- \*On August 28<sup>th</sup>, I met with Matt Sluiter to go over the insurance renewal. We raised some of our deductibles which brought our increase down from between 14-15% to inside of 10%.
- \*The tax cap is 1.56% for the 2021 budget.
- \*Please complete the census, time is running out. You can do this online. It is critical.
- \*I will be meeting with Justice Tom Joyce, Friday, to go over his ideas for social distancing at the courthouse on Election Day.
- \*Peg Ellsworth of the MARK Project has reached out to me regarding some new programs that may be available to the Town. I will be meeting with her in the near future to discuss these.

Respectfully Submitted Bud Gladstone, Supervisor

# Highway Report (attached)

# Code Enforcement/Building Inspector Report

- \*Eleven c/o searches
- \*Four c/o issued
- \*Fifteen inspections

Respectfully Submitted, Artie Short, CEO/Building Inspector

#### Committees:

Transfer Station-

\*There were some issues regarding the pickup schedule of the trash bins by Delaware County. This has been resolved and they will be coming per usual.

#### Pool-

\*Rachel Andrews reported that the pool closed on September 7<sup>th</sup> for the season. She will be completing the final shutdown this weekend or next. She reached out to the Delhi Pool for the

contact information of the company who installed their pool. That particular company does not work with liners, they referred her to another company who did work on our pool in 2009/2010. The company asked for pictures to provide the Town with a quote. They will be in the area this fall for other work. She thanked the board for their help during the confusing COVID-19 times. Rachel will also be reaching out to get quotes for the fence correction issues which must be resolved before a NYS DOH permit will be issued for opening next year.

#### Others:

\*Light at Bohlmann Park

Rachel Andrews spoke regarding a light which was purchased through fundraising by the Andes Presbyterian Church to install at Bohlmann Park for the flag. They previously received permission to install it but wanted to make sure they could tie into the Library's electric before they get started. The board did not have an issue with this but directed her to contact the Library for permission.

#### **Executive Session**

#### **RE: Personnel**

Supervisor Gladstone: I would just like to make a brief statement regarding the rumors circulating around town and via Facebook regarding an ongoing personnel matter concerning our Code Enforcement Officer/Building Inspector. The Town Board and I have vigilantly worked to maintain the highest level of transparency not only regarding this matter but all matters that come before us. All discussions regarding personnel must take place during executive sessions. It is illegal for myself or the board members to engage in conversation regarding the code enforcement officer or any other employee of the Town's disciplinary or private matters. We hope that the members of the public understand that no decisions have been made behind 'closed doors'. A decision will be made this evening regarding the appointment for the position of code enforcement officer via resolution, as it has been at all previous appointments. Before we enter into executive session does anyone wish to make a statement or have any questions. The open session of the meeting will resume in roughly 30 minutes. We will put the meeting on mute and will return as soon as we can. Thank you.

Motion to enter executive session made by Councilman Hall, Seconded by Councilman Moshier. All in favor, 7:25PM.

Motion to exit executive session, made by Councilman Moshier, Seconded by Councilman Gabriel. All in favor, 7:58PM.

#### **Motions:**

Motion to approve the August 2020 Supervisor's, Justices', and Town Clerk's Financial Reports, made by Councilman Hall, Seconded by Councilman Moshier. All in favor, Motion carried.

Motion to hold the first 2021 Budget Workshop on September 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2020 at 6:00PM, made by Councilman Gabriel, Seconded by Councilman Moshier. All in favor, Motion carried.

#### **Resolutions:**

Resolution 22 of 2020 Code Enforcement Officer/Building Inspector/Fire Inspector Appointment

Be it resolved, by the Town Board of the Town of Andes hereby appoints Al Mohr, to the position of Code Enforcement Officer/Building Inspector/Fire Inspector with a term of January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021-December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2021.

Proposed by: Councilman Gabriel Seconded by: Councilman Moshier

#### Roll Call:

Councilman Cole---Aye
Councilman Moshier---Aye
Councilman Gabriel---Aye
Councilman Hall---Nay (Josh Morgan)
Supervisor Gladstone---Nay (Artie Short)

Resolution 23 of 2020 Union Contract

Be it resolved, that the Andes Town Board hereby authorizes Supervisor Gladstone to sign the tentative union agreement between CSEA Local 1000 AFSCME, AFL-CIO and the Town of Andes Unit #6615.

Proposed by: Councilman Moshier Seconded by: Councilman Cole

#### Roll Call:

Councilman Cole---Aye Councilman Moshier---Aye Councilman Gabriel---Aye Councilman Hall---Aye Supervisor Gladstone---Aye

# **Approval of Bills:**

Motion to approve General Warrants #254-287 totaling \$62,454.96 Highway Warrants #194-217 totaling \$18,507.13 CHIPS Warrants #53-57 totaling \$120,460.41

WWTP Warrants #104-114 \$40,720.12

Water Warrants #64-71 totaling \$3,884.69

Well Project Warrants #2 totaling \$2,100.00, made by Councilman Hall,

Seconded by Councilman Moshier. All in favor, Motion carried.

#### **Districts:**

Water-

#### Sewer-

Resolution 24 of 2020 Andes Sewer District 2021 Budget

Be it resolved, that the Andes Town Board hereby authorizes Cedarwood Environmental Services prepared Andes Sewer District #1 2021 Budget to be sent to NYC DEP for preliminary approval prior to passage by the Town Board.

Proposed by: Councilman Gabriel Seconded by: Councilman Moshier

#### Roll Call:

Councilman Cole---Aye Councilman Moshier---Aye Councilman Gabriel---Aye Councilman Hall---Aye Supervisor Gladstone---Aye

# **Public Comments/Questions:**

N/A

#### Adjourn:

Motion to adjourn made by Councilman Hall, Seconded by Councilman Gabriel. All in favor, 8:04PM.

#### September 8, 2020

#### Highway report

- Aug 11 grader work on Weaver Bush hill Brydon Lake Jason worked wolf hollow Mike and Gordon patched
- Aug 12-17 Roger grader work Fallclove side roads, Replaced radiator in 2012 freight liner
- Aug 18 patch Lower main, Fish Hollow Gordy and Dan mowed and weed eat by the shop.
- Aug 19 Mandatory class in Delhi on chain saw safety, work around shop rest of day and put up signs
- Aug 24-25-26 crusher run dibble rd. due to washout, change oil pan on 2009 4x4 single axle, change broom bristles
- Aug 27 Ditch on Bigger hollow, shop work and mowing
- Aug 31 Dan worked on 09 6x6 brakes, check roads for trees down, ditching on Fallclove
- Sept 1 roger worked Weaver hollow and Bullet Hole Jason touched up Marysmith And Brower hill
- Sept 2-3 ditch and mow Fallclove
- Sept 8th start ditching and haul crusher run to Herr Rd. FEMA project, ditch and mow

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