

Town of Dresden

Regular Board Meeting held on February 12, 2024 beginning at 7:00 p.m.

Present: Coun. Wilbur; Coun. Borden; Coun Brown; Coun. Diekel, Sup. Ferguson, Town Clerk Wilbur
Absent: Highway Sup. Hobus

Sup. Ferguson led the pledge to the flag.

A motion to accept the previous month's minutes was made by Coun. Wilbur and was seconded by Coun. Borden. A motion to pay the audited bills was made by Coun. Wilbur and was seconded by Coun. Brown and all were in favor.

Old Business: The town is still in need of (2) two BOAR members as well as (1) one person willing to become the Dog Control Officer. Any interested parties may contact the clerk.

New Business: The final 2023 Financials were given to the board as well as the January 2024 and are on file in the clerk's office. The agreement between the Town and the Adirondack Park Local Government Review Board was signed by Supervisor Ferguson. A motion to accept the agreement was made by a motion from Coun. Wilbur and was seconded by Coun. Borden and all were in favor. It has been filed with the clerk.

Resolution #25-2023 titled **Budget Adjustments** to close out the 2023 books, with a Zero Budget Impact was introduced and a motion to accept the adjustments was made by Coun. Brown and was seconded by Coun. Wilbur and all were in favor.

Resolution #9-2024 titled **Resolution Adopting Proposed Local Law Providing For A Partial Real Property Tax Exemption For Incorporated Volunteer Fire Company, Fire Department Or Incorporated Volunteer Ambulance Service Members And Their Spouses**, hereby known as Local Law #1-2024, was introduced by Sup. Ferguson and seconded by Coun. Brown. A roll call vote is as follows: Coun. Wilbur-AYE; Coun. Borden-AYE; Coun. Brown-AYE; Coun. Diekel-AYE; Sup. Ferguson-AYE and all were in favor.

Resolution #10-2024 titled **Resolution Setting Public Hearing On Proposed Town Of Dresden Hulett's Landing Sewer District No. 1 Reduction And Town Of Dresden Fredrick's Point Sewer District No. 2 Extension By Petition Of Property Owners**. The resolution is an after the fact that two parcels are located in SD#1 but have been included in SD#2 all along. It was introduced by Sup. Ferguson and seconded by Coun. Borden and the roll call vote is as follows: Coun. Brown-AYE; Coun. Borden-AYE; Coun. Diekel-AYE; Coun. Wilbur-AYE; Sup. Ferguson-AYE

The Public Hearing will occur on March 25, 2024 beginning at 7:00 p.m. in The Town Hall located at 102 Clemons Center Road Clemons.

Resolution #11-2024 titled **Resolution Setting Public Hearing On The Increase And Improvement Of The Facilities Of Hulett's Landing Sewer District #1 In The Town Of Dresden, Washington County, New York**. It was introduced by Sup. Ferguson and was seconded by Coun. Wilbur and the roll call vote is as follows:

Coun. Wilbur-AYE; Coun. Diekel-AYE; Coun. Borden-AYE; Coun. Brown-AYE; Sup. Ferguson-AYE

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Sup. Ferguson has ordered the credit cards for the Highway Superintendent, the Town Clerk and himself for the purpose of ordering office supplies and should arrive in 7-10 days.

A donation has been received for the use of the Town Hall in the amount of \$50. A motion to accept the donation was made by Coun. Wilbur and was seconded by Coun. Diekel and all were in favor. The Farley's have offered their time to help with the Christmas Party held for the children of Dresden in the future.

In attendance for tonight's meeting was David Wick, along with Ken Parker, Cathy Aiken Lombard, and Joe Thouin from the Lake George Park Commission, as well as Councilman Jim Niles from Lake Luzerne to further discuss the use of ProcellaCOR in Lake George in Hulett's Landing at Sheep Meadow Bay. A legal challenge was upheld last year from the Lake George Association to withhold the use until more information could be obtained. The LGPC appealed the decision and a hearing will be held the third week of March. Mr. Wick presented the position the LGPC is taking on the use and answered any questions by the board and those in attendance. He proceeded to give statistics on the studies for the use of ProcellaCOR. It is a synthetic growth hormone that will affect the Eurasian Watermilfoil to cause it to grow and mature much faster and expire before the growth of native water plants. A three to four gallon amount will be applied to an area equal to 3.6 acres and will be a controlled distribution and not just scattered. The sites selected have a low population and are remote and isolated to control for regrowth data. It will remain in the treatment area and taken up by the plants and broken down and the plants will die. There is no long term effects due to its inception date until now. It begun use in 2010 and 2017 it was registered for approval to use at all and 2019 registered to use in New York. Jim Niles from Lake Luzerne addressed the board about the decision to use in Lake Luzerne and the results have been as expected and good so far. Chris Navitsky, the Lake George Water Keeper was also in attendance and he maintains that the use of ProcellaCOR isn't the best choice to treat Eurasian Watermilfoil. The introduction of the synthetic growth hormone if not adequately applied parts per million will not affect the plants correctly and could instead promote growth and cause it to flourish. It is just too high of a risk and too low of a benefit. The board passed a resolution during February 13, 2023, Resolution #8-2023, resolving to go on the record as opposing the application of ProcellaCOR in Lake George. David Wick, his fellow LGPC constituents as well as Jim Niles and Chris Navitsky were thanks by the board for their time for attending.

The monthly bills for January are as follows:

GEN-\$50.00; HWY-\$13,228.26; SD#1 and SD#2-None

A motion to adjourn was made at 8:43 p.m. Respectfully submitted, Marcinda Wilbur- Town Clerk

Attendance: David Wick, Ken Parker, Joe Thouin, Cathy Aiken Labombard- all from LGPC; Jim Niles, Chris Navitsky-LGA Waterkeeper, Kim Brown, Warren Gordon, Thomas Mowatt, Stephanie Aiken Copeland, Suzy Shad, Rick Carter, Jane Carter, Paul Diekel