

Town of Deerfield Town Board Meeting Minutes December 12, 2022

The Deerfield Town Board held its regular monthly meeting on December 12th, 2022. Present were Councilpersons Phil Sacco, Greg Sacco, David Kolek, Michael Collins. Supervisor Scott Mahardy, Town Clerk Karen Day, Attorney for the Town William Schmitt & Highway Superintendant Sam Arcuri Jr, (Councilperson Collins – absent) Supervisor Scott Mahardy called the meeting to order at 6:30PM with the Pledge of Allegiance, and the Town Clerk took roll call.

MINUTES

Councilperson G. Sacco moved and Councilperson Kolek seconded that motion to approve the minutes of the regular Town Board meeting of November 7^{th} 2022. The motion was approved.

EARLY PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR: None

CORRESPONDENCE:

OLD BUSINESS: No old business.

NEW BUSINESS: Meeting for the Closing of the Books set for December 28th 2022

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution 61-2022 - 2023 Organizational meeting - Approved

Resolution 62-2022 - BAR Appointment - (F. Aceto) Approved

Resolution 63 - 2022 - Planning board resignation (Douglas) - Approved

Resolution 64 - 2022 - ZBA Appointment - (Salerno) Approved

Resolution 65 - 2022 - MVWA Appointment (Haskell) Approved

Resolution 66- 2022- Public Comments on Solar recycling & Battery Storage - Approved

Resolution 67 - 2022 - Anita's Stevens Swan Humane Society Agreement - Approved

Resolution 68 - 2022 - Appointment - Highway Employee - Tracy Taylor

Resolution 69 - 2022 - Appointment - Highway Employee - Christian Lallier

COMMITTEE REPORTS-

Councilperson - Philip Sacco submitted a report

November 9^{th} and 10^{th} I met with Andy Alescia to revise plans from our November 7^{th} Town Board Meeting. November 10^{th} 2022, received hopefully the final preliminary plans to move forward with the project.

November $10^{\rm th}$ 2022 I met with Utica DPW- Sign Shop about making a WELCOME to DEERFIELD Sign that is missing from Trenton Ave in Utica where it becomes Trenton Road in the Town of Deerfield. I am waiting for a price and design of the 4' by 4' sign

November 17^{th} 2022I went to DATA FLOW for Highway Plot Plan copy then to New Hartford to meet with Andy Alescia.

December 11^{th} 2023, I went to 630 Hewey Street to check into a large pothole, and notified the Highway Department.

Councilperson G. Sacco - report filed

I am continuing to compile data and reviewing input from the Town's people to update the Solar Recycling Law and the battery storage law.

Councilperson Collins - Absent Councilperson Kolek - Nothing to Report

OFFICIAL REPORTS

County Legislator Buck: absent

Supervisor Scott Mahardy -

Town Clerk Karen: report filed

Readying for Tax Season, Working on the Foil Request from the Woods vs Veterans outreach center, seeking information from other Town Departments to share any information, Working with the United Way on a project that will add learning signs to our already existing trail system.

Reminder that all articles need to be in my office for the January Newsletter by Deadline December 15th.

Highway Superintendant Sam Arcuri Jr. no report submitted

- Santa is coming through the Town on the Fire Truck the Weekend prior to Christmas.
- The tracks have been installed on the Groomer and its ready for snow.
- The lawn tractors/mover and other lawn equipment has been services and stored.
- Leaf Vac, has been used and is a nice piece of equipment. It will be a great asset for Spring Cleanup projects.
- 2019 Fema Still talking with their representatives.
- DEC held us up on the Reels Creek Project.

Building Inspector: Jim Maxwell provided a report.

Board of Assessors George Haskell: No report filed

All set for Town Taxes and working now on new assessments.

No information on the walker road property, went down to look a couple months ago, and saw no issue at that time.

Planning Board Chair Pati Goldsmith - absent - Report filed

Zoning Board of Appeals Lura Raymo, report given Quiet currently on the appeals,

Nothing has come through regarding the situation on Walker Rd property of Veterans Outreach building.

Town Historian- Gerald Talerico - No Report submitted

<u>Celebration Committee:</u> Getting our information out to the residents, signs will be going up. Reminder of the Snow Sculpture Rules.

Senior Citizen Director Lura Raymo-

The Seniors are still coming out each Thursday to enjoy the comradery, cards and Bingo. This month they will be enjoying their Holiday Luncheon at the Harts Hill Inn, and will be celebrating their New Year's Celebration here on the Thursday before New Years, with party food and drinks.

<u>Karen Day Director</u> - Worked with the Marquee theater for one of the last outings – all went very smoothly and I am proud of my staff.

Working on the Winter Spring Program.

Youth Leader Anne Christophory absent

Town Attorney: William Schmitt: Nothing to Report

MEDIA TIME NONE

LATE PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR – Margaret Fusco Looking of an update on the Clearpath status, Supervisor Mahardy states there is NO update, there has been no communication with anyone at Clearpath for 3 months.

Mrs Fusco asks if the Town has had any action on Post Agreements? Supervisor Mahardy again stated that there has been no communication or documents of any kind since the last discussion – 3 months ago. No signs, no permits submitted.

EXECUTIVE SESSION - none

MOTION TO PAY BILLS

Councilperson G. Sacco moved and Councilperson Kolek seconded a motion to pay **Sewer Fund** bill number 16 and 17 . Councilpersons, P Sacco, G. Sacco, Collins, Kolek and Supervisor Mahardy voted yes and the motion was approved

Councilperson Kolek moved and Councilperson G. Sacco seconded a motion to pay **Highway Fund** bill number. 211- 232 Councilpersons P.Sacco, G. Sacco, Kolek, Collins and Supervisor Scott Mahardy voted yes, and the motion was approved.

Councilperson G. Sacco moved and Councilperson Kolek seconded a motion to pay **General Fund** bill number 381 – 416 with and additional 417 (the Office of the State Comptroller added at this time. Councilpersons P. Sacco, G. Sacco, Kolek, Collins and Supervisor Scott Mahardy voted yes, and the motion was approved.

ADJOURN:

Councilperson P Sacco moved and Councilperson G. Sacco seconded a motion to adjourn. Councilpersons P Sacco, G. Sacco, Kolek, and Supervisor Scott Mahardy voted yes, the motion was approved, and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen M. Day

Town of Deerfield

Town Board Meeting Minutes

December 28th 2022

The Town Board meeting which was held on December 28th for the Closing of the Books of 2022, was held at 6:00pm at the Deerfield Municipal Building, prior to a public hearing on the Recycling of Solar Panels for Tier 3 Solar Systems as well as Battery Energy Storage Systems.

The Deerfield Town Board held its special Closing of the Books meeting on December 28th, 2022. Present were Councilpersons Phil Sacco, Greg Sacco, Supervisor Scott Mahardy, Town Clerk Karen Day and Attorney for the Town William Schmidt and Highway Superintendant Sam Arcuri Jr, -absent were Councilpersons David Kolek & Collins. Supervisor Scott Mahardy called the meeting to order at 6:00PM with the Pledge of Allegiance, and the Town Clerk took roll call.

No Minutes where voted on. The Board went straight to approving the paying of the bills

Sewer bill #18 – Councilperson G. Sacco motioned and P. Sacco Seconded – Approved. General Bills #417 - #429 - Councilperson G. Sacco motioned and P. Sacco Seconded – Approved.

Highway Bills – 234-243 - Councilperson G. Sacco motioned and P. Sacco Seconded – Approved.

Motion to adjourn - Councilperson G. Sacco motioned & P. Sacco Seconded - Approved.

Respectfully Submitted,

Karen Day

Town Clerk

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Town of Deerfield Town Board Meeting Minutes January 9th, 2023



The Deerfield Town Board held its regular monthly meeting on January 9th, 2023. Present were Councilpersons Phil Sacco, Greg Sacco, David Kolek, Michael Collins. Supervisor Scott Mahardy, Town Clerk Karen Day, Attorney for the Town William Schmitt & Highway Superintendant Sam Arcuri Jr. Supervisor Scott Mahardy called the meeting to order at 6:30PM with the Pledge of Allegiance, and the Town Clerk took roll call.

MINUTES

Councilperson M. Collins moved and Councilperson Kolek seconded that motion to approve the minutes of the regular Town Board meeting of January 9th 2023. The motion was approved.

EARLY PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR: None

CORRESPONDENCE:

OLD BUSINESS: No old business.

NEW BUSINESS: Public Hearing set for January 9th 2023 at 6:00pm at the Town Municipal Building on 6329 Walker Rd Deerfield NY

OFFICIAL REPORTS

County Legislator Buck: absent

Supervisor Scott Mahardy -

Councilperson - Philip Sacco submitted a report

I spoke with Andy Alescia on the status of the engineer plans for our Town Trash Transfer building and he said we should have it by February Meeting.

Fown Supervisor Mahardy entrusted me find out ¾ ton work truck for the highway department, I researched the NYS OPS and got a quote on a 2023 ¾ ton work truck from Magineano Chevrolet for 46,079.00 – I have a handout for each board member.

The supervisor will reach out via email to get the opinions of the board members.

Councilperson G. Sacco – report filed Reached out to some website designers to get idea and quotes.

Councilperson Collins – Received calls about abandoned tires left on the side of the town roads, ie Miller, Walker, Davis Rds, Called Highway Superintendant to come pick them up and He responded quickly and took care of the tires.

Councilperson Kolek – He received a call from Mr. Kingsley about The Cruickshank Rd's Condition. I spoke to Highway Superintendent Arcuri, about bringing the Road up to DOD Standards, for the Spring time Thaw. He also requested Signage, as street sign and stop sign and a dead end – no through traffic sign as well.

<u>Town Clerk Karen</u>: This time of year Town and County Taxes have begun, so the Clerk's office is quite busy.

Highway Superintendant Sam Arcuri Jr. no report submitted

- With little snow, my staff has been working around the Town Garage- Cleaning up,
- My Department is once again short of highway workers, finding persons to hire is difficult, not sure where all the workers have gone.
- We are going to begin work on Sweeper, tractor is down with a check engine light.
- He has reports that need to be filed, in March and he is working on them.
 Supervisor asked about street lights being out, at Firehouse Rd and Walker and other places,
- Mr. Arcuri noted that he is aware of the Town sign light is out, however a new trench will need to be dug to the center Line,
- Insurance Inspector for Garage Boiler,

COMMITTEE REPORTS-

Building Inspector: Jim Maxwell provided a report.

<u>Board of Assessors George Haskell</u>: No report filed Still working on property taxes, preparing STAR applications for the Enhanced Star and Senior STAR. Planning Board Chair Pati Goldsmith - absent - Report filed

Zoning Board of Appeals Lura Raymo,

Quiet currently on the appeals,

Nothing has come through regarding the situation on Walker Rd property of Veterans Outreach building.

<u>Town Historian-</u>Gerald Talerico – working on seeking history report and articles. No Report submitted

<u>Celebration Committee:</u> Getting our information out to the residents, signs will be going up. Reminder of the Snow Sculpture Rules. February 4^{th} 2023

Senior Citizen Director Lura Raymo-

The Seniors are still coming out each Thursday to enjoy the comradery, cards and Bingo.,

<u>Karen Day Youth Director</u> - Set up the remaining schedule of Events, Looking forward to Utica U Hockey game.

Youth Leader Anne Christophory absent

Town Attorney: William Schmitt: Nothing to Report

MEDIA TIME NONE

LATE PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR - Daniel Fusco, inquiring on Status of Solar information,

EXECUTIVE SESSION - none

MOTION TO PAY BILLS

Councilperson G. Sacco moved and Councilperson Collins seconded a motion to pay **Sewer Fund** bill number 1. Councilpersons, P Sacco, G. Sacco, Collins, Kolek and Supervisor Mahardy voted yes and the motion was approved

Councilperson Collins moved and Councilperson Kolek seconded a motion to pay **Highway Fund** bills number - 1-7 Councilpersons P.Sacco, G. Sacco, Kolek, Collins and Supervisor Scott Mahardy voted yes, and the motion was approved.

Councilperson Kolek moved and Councilperson G. Sacco seconded a motion to pay **General Fund** bill number 1-129. Councilpersons P. Sacco, G. Sacco, Kolek, Collins and Supervisor Scott Mahardy voted yes, and the motion was approved.

ADJOURN:

Councilperson P Sacco moved and Councilperson Kolek seconded a motion to adjourn. Councilpersons P Sacco, G. Sacco, Kolek, and Supervisor Scott Mahardy voted yes, the motion was approved, and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen M. Day

Town Clerk

Town of Deerfield Town Board Meeting Minutes February 13th, 2023

The Deerfield Town Board held its regular monthly meeting on January 9th, 2023. Present were Councilpersons Phil Sacco, David Kolek, Michael Collins. Supervisor Scott Mahardy, Town Clerk Karen Day, Attorney for the Town William Schmitt & Highway Superintendant Sam Arcuri Jr. Councilperson Greg Sacco was excused. Supervisor Scott Mahardy called the meeting to order at 6:30PM with the Pledge of Allegiance, and the Town Clerk took roll call.

MINUTES

Organizational Minutes from January 9th, 2023

Councilperson Collins moved and Councilperson Kolek seconded that motion to approve the Organizational Minutes. Motion carried.

Councilperson Kolek moved and Councilperson Collins seconded that motion to approve the minutes of the regular Town Board meeting of February 13th, 2023. The motion was approved.

EARLY PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR: Giulianna and Gabriella Chapple "Free Little Library" Both young women spoke to what a Free Little Library was and the Organization that inspired them to come forth to propose this idea to our Town Board. The Chapple family has agreed to build the library box, with the help of donors and volunteers. The Town Board asked questions. 1. Location? 2. Can it be made portable? 3. If possible, it was suggested that during the winter months, perhaps it could be moved to the municipal building for better access and protection from vandalism. While moving it to the Wilderness Park, during the warmer months, to avail to the children in the Park Program and seasonal Pavilion Rentals. Supervisor Mahardy agreed to make contacts with our Local Lowes Store to acquire supplies and discounts.

The Board and attendees at the meeting were very impressed with the work these young people had put into their presentation and research.

CORRESPONDENCE: Heather Lints, Marnie St. sent a letter and photo of her neighbor's home Marnie St. asking the Town Board to please address the trash and poor esthetics this home is providing the entire neighborhood. Heather has been asking for something to be done, each month calling to report the situation, to either the Town Clerk or Codes Officer.

The Town Board all received a copy of the letter and photo. Town Supervisor Mahardy, asked for a phone number to call Mrs. Lints and will speak to the Codes Officer and will get this situation cleaned up and corrected.

OLD BUSINESS:

Resolution 19-2023 Resolution 20-2023 Resolution 21-2023 Closing of the Books Local Law #1 2023 — Battery Storage Public Hearing - Wind Moratorium

NEW BUSINESS: Public Hearing set for March 13th 2023 at 5:45pm at the Town Municipal Building on 6329 Walker Rd Deerfield NY for the purpose of considering the adoption of a Local Law Establishing a Temporary moratorium on applications or proceedings or the issuance of approvals or permits for the construction of Wind Power Facilities Installations with in the Town of Deerfield.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution 19-2023

Closing of the Books - Approved

Resolution 20-2023

Local Law #1 2023 - Battery Storage - Approved

Resolution 21-2023'

Public Hearing - Wind Moratorium - Approved

OFFICIAL REPORTS

County Legislator Buck: absent - No Report

<u>Supervisor Scott Mahardy</u> – reported that the Town of Deerfield did receive the Grant of Children and Family Services for \$30,000 for Youth and Senior Services. He will set up a meeting between the Youth Director and Senior Director to discuss options.

Supervisor Mahardy, Greg Sacco Sr., Councilperson G. Sacco met with Maryann Buttonschon to discuss and plan a meeting at the Deerfield School on March 21st, 2023, from 4-8 pm over comprehensive Map and panels, Land bought and leased by State for Boralex Solar Facility.

Councilperson - Philip Sacco - submitted a report.

- Spoke with Andy Alescia (Architect of new proposed transfer building) several times since the January meeting about the Trash Transfer Building. Highway Superintendent Arcuri and I met with the Architect Firm on February 6th, 2023, to go over some concerns while plans were being drawn up. State Codes require a panel railing to protect the below grade dumpsters and door sizes facing the Steuben Road West from 5 10x 12' doors to 4 12 x 12 'doors. The Truck with the dumpster backing in was 9'6" which didn't leave enough room. So, we increased the opening to 12'. Plans are currently being drawn up.
- Was given permission by the Town Supervisor Mahardy to purchase Pallet Racks to be installed in the current building new Steuben Rd. The estimated cost is \$3300.00 This will store any usable items from the Old Highway Garage. Once this is done the Highway

Department can tear down the Old Highway Garage which will be the site of the new TRASH TRANSFER Building.

Councilperson G. Sacco – absent – no report filed. Councilperson Collins – Nothing to report

Councilperson Kolek – Report filed. Spoke to Ann Martin on Marnie ST. She questioned if AIR B&Bs are allowed in residential Areas. She is hearing that a gentleman that is remodeling is planning on an Air B&B.

<u>Town Clerk Karen</u>: Tax Season is more than half over and the clerk's office is slowing going back to normal traffic and workloads.

Park Rentals are almost completely full for weekend rentals. The contracts will be out at the end of February.

Received a call from resident Heather Lints, about neighbors' trash and the poor condition of the homes upkeep. Suggested that the resident address the Town Board on the issue. <u>Highway Superintendant Sam Arcuri Jr.</u> report submitted.

- Looking for suggestions on Retaining and attracting highway employees going into the future
- Highway Departments fuel system has been updated with new software compatible with windows wo. Contacted our IT person to finish loading Highway software in the new laptop.
- Highway Department Deputy is going to retire in April. Would like to add a foreman position with Civil Service.
- Going to clean out the old Highway garage to get ready to tear the building down. Will be installing pallet racking in the pole barn.
- Town's 1974 John Deere Grader has remission issues with 3 gears, cannot repair without rebuilding the transmission, this will be very expensive. I would like to look for another grader to replace it. Oneida County is going to be auctioning off the tree graders they replaced last year. Would like to bid on the one we used last summer.
- Our Park Help will not be returning to mow this summer. We will need to start looking for someone to mow this year.
- No Parking, on the south side of the Firehouse Rd between Trenton Rd and Walker RD.
 What do I need to do? Local Law? Resolution?
- Weather seal man doors and replace office door and frame repair crash bars on man doors. Overhead doors need to be sealed for weather. Metal is coming off the old part of the pole barn from the last windstorm also metal on lower half is rotted. Door bollards on Wash Bay doors are falling over and hitting the building. Outside of the building has mold on it and needs to be washed.

 Dead tree along the walking trail in the back of the Municipal Building, needs to be taken down.

COMMITTEE REPORTS-

Building Inspector: Jim Maxwell provided a report.

We are starting to get requests for building permits, we have two new homes, 4 total so far. I have been researching the property on Aspen Rd where they are going to add more trailers to the park, all the property is in Schuyler.

I have received more requests for Solar Farms and applications. I have referred them to Planning Board Chair Pati Goldsmith. Currently working with parties on light trespassing problems and are currently working with both parties to get them to work out the issue.

Board of Assessors George Haskell: No report filed.

Had a question related to the water and sewer on Keyes Rd – Board says there is access to both in that area.

Equalization Rate is 9.5. All else is going well and according to plan.

Planning Board Chair Pati Goldsmith Report filed

Last meeting a discussion on Wind Energy and updating the Master Plan. The Planning Board sat through a Zoom meeting on Fire conditions, with Boralex, opinion was they again skirted the questions asked and was vague with answers they did give.

Zoning Board of Appeals Lura Raymo,

1 application – on the Site of the Old Barnick's Building to tear down a building and replace with a larger one, it all appears to work.

<u>Town Historian- Gerald</u> Talerico – working on seeking history report and articles.

No Report submitted.

Celebration Committee: Report Given, written run down of the Winterfest.

Senior Citizen Director Lura Raymo- no report submitted – verbal report –

The Seniors enjoyed their Meatloaf Dinner last week and are looking forward to St. Patrick's Day Corned Beef and Cabbage. Looking into Day Trips and AARP driving class.

<u>Karen Day Youth Director</u> - Went to New Hartford Rec Center for Ice Skating and will be going back to Vista Lanes for Bowling on February 19th, followed by a Movie at the Marquee.

Youth Leader Anne Christophory Present

Town Attorney: William Schmitt: Nothing to Report

MEDIA TIME - NONE

LATE PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR – Mrs Erica Wood, from Walker Rd, to discuss the Veteran's Outreach Center, next door to her home. She voiced her concern that she cannot seem to get answers from the Town on the accurate zoning of the property, Attorney Schmitt, voiced that we are still looking into the property and zoning laws and no decisions have been made yet.

EXECUTIVE SESSION - none

MOTION TO PAY BILLS

Councilperson G. Sacco moved and Councilperson Collins seconded a motion to pay Sewer Fund bill number 2. Councilpersons, P Sacco, Collins, Kolek and Supervisor Mahardy voted yes and the motion was approved.

Councilperson Kolek moved and Councilperson Collins seconded a motion to pay Capital Fund bills number - 2 Councilpersons P.Sacco, Kolek, Collins and Supervisor Scott Mahardy voted yes, and the motion was approved.

Councilperson Collins moved and Councilperson Kolek seconded a motion to pay Highway Fund bills number 9-26 Councilpersons P.Sacco, Kolek, Collins and Supervisor Scott Mahardy voted yes, and the motion was approved.

Councilperson Collins moved and Councilperson Kolek seconded a motion to pay General Fund bill number 30-72. Councilpersons P. Sacco, Kolek, Collins and Supervisor Scott Mahardy voted yes, and the motion was approved.

ADJOURN:

Councilperson P Sacco moved and Councilperson Kolek seconded a motion to adjourn. Councilpersons P Sacco, Kolek, and Supervisor Scott Mahardy voted yes, the motion was approved, and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

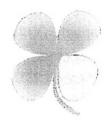
Karen M. Day Town Clerk

Retiree Health Insurance

Be it resolved that the Town Board of the Town of Deerfield approves the attached
amendment to the Town of Deerfield Employee Handbook Section 708.

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Karen M Day Deerfield Town Clerk



Town of Deerfield March 13th, 2023

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MINUTES

Councilperson G. Sacco moved and Councilperson Collins seconded that motion to approve the minutes of the regular Town Board meeting of February 13th, 2023. The motion was approved.

EARLY PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR: Mr. Cole and Our Insurance Agent Danielle, discussed and reviewed our new updated Insurance Policies.

CORRESPONDENCE:

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution 22-2023

Resolution 22-2023

LL#2 Wind Energy Moratorium

Retiree Health Insurance

OFFICIAL REPORTS

County Legislator Buck: absent - No Report

<u>Supervisor Scott Mahardy</u> — Received notification on march 7th from Congressman William's Office on collecting information On Grants for the fiscal year 2024. Sharing that information with Councilmen Greg Sacco and Phil Sacco, we find ourselves putting together paperwork for a Grant that is due by March 17th. This grant would assist in the funding of the Recycling center at the Highway Garage in the amount of half the cost. We have an estimate for 700,000.00 and we are submitting the 350,000.00 for the Grant.

Councilman P. Sacco, has been working with an off the books Grant Writer, We have reached out to members of this board, Highway Superintendant Arcuri, Senator Griffo, Assembly Woman Buttonschon, County Executive Tony Picente, Town of Trenton Supervisor for letters of support, all responded positively. The Grant will come from the House Appropriations Committee, Department of the Interior. Councilperson P. Sacco met the gentleman back in July of 2022, when we started gathering research for the Recycling Building. He spoke to him, 15 – 20 times, while in the position of middle man between the Supervisor and the Grant Writer. Working together we will get all the letters of support, the 9 page application in on or before March 17th 2023 the deadline. If we are granted this, it will be a huge benefit for the Project and for the Town of Deerfield.

Councilperson - Philip Sacco - submitted a report.

- February 7th 2023 Had a working session with Highway Superintendent Arcuri and the Town Board. The purpose was to discuss ways to attract new hires for the Highway Department. The focus was the wage issue for new hires and existing workers. Supervisor Mahardy and I submitted options for this to happen, Results are pending board approval at the future meeting. Two resolutions would have to be approved for this to happen.
- I spoke with A & C several times on the progress made to go to bid on the Trash Transfer Building. The timetable should be very soon.
- March 7th Supervisor Mahardy emailed the board about possible funding from Congressman Brandon Williams NY-22 to the House Appropriations Committee for projects in need of federal funding. We only had 10 days to apply so I reached out to Mr. Don Hall, community and Business development Consultant and Grant Writer. Mr. Hall and I spoke several times about the project. He is putting together a package that Supervisor Mahardy will prepare the (10) letters of support by March 17th 2023. The Town will be asking for a 50% match for this project.

Councilperson G. Sacco – has done research on new websites for the Town, has spoken with a company call Quadsieda, who has experience working with local towns and their website.

Councilperson Collins – Nothing to report Councilperson Kolek –Nothing to report

<u>Town Clerk Karen:</u> Pavilion rentals are filling up quite quickly, most weekends in June, July and August are already booked, contracts were sent out and beginning to come back. I have completed 2 FOIL requests this month, (while working with our Town Attorney, and our committee or department heads.) Tax Season has gone well and is almost to it's end.

I received an email from Heather Lints about the property a crossed the street from her home, "it is a eye sore and has been for more than a year."

Highway Superintendant Sam Arcuri Jr. report submitted.

Spoke to the Supervisor Mahardy about a section of roof in need of repair on the Pole Barn, pass discussion timetable to re-skin the whole roof. Wondering where the Board stands on that issue. Temporary repairs can be done if required.

- Inaudible Machine is out for repair, in Watertown and should be back in the near future.
- Emptying the old building, little by little we have been moving stuff out on decent days and should be finished very soon.
- Finally, after a year, my new computer is up and running, the IT Mike Long completed the programing and set up for the new Fuel System.
- Not sure what the decision was to be about replacing our Parks mower, If that is not in the works for 2023, then I need to know so I can make repairs to the trailer used to haul it from park to park. Supervisor Mahardy mentioned holding off on the purchase of a new mower until next year.

COMMITTEE REPORTS-

<u>Building Inspector:</u> Jim Maxwell provided a report. My office is getting calls for building permits for this upcoming spring and summer. My office has had few complaints about property maintenance violations. I have certification classes in April, $11^{th} - 13^{th}$ and the 17 through the 20^{th} . No news on Solar Projects.

Board of Assessors George Haskell: No report filed.

I have been quite busy however ready to go

Planning Board Chair Pati Goldsmith Report filed

The Board had a meeting with Boralex officials. Public meeting to be held at Deerfield Elementary School.

Zoning Board of Appeals Lura Raymo, Held a public hearing on 3/9/2023 on the Kaczor application – it was approved.

<u>Town Historian- Gerald</u> Talerico – Spoke with a former childhood resident, Mr. Neil is related to the Blue/McIntyre Family. I was requesting information on the area in which he grew up.

Park Committee Chairperson Deborah Burke - A meeting was held with 8 Volunteers who discussed programs and needs that they would like to see happen within the park system. I met with Highway Superintendent Arcuri, to ask about upcoming plans for the park system. Some Ideas discussed were new mileage markers because that is a safety issue if someone getting lost or needs emergency service, it would be more expedient to find the person. Dog Park, Pickleball Court, basketball court improvements. Program needs for working with the Youth. Looking for community involvement, in clean up of trails and rest areas of Wilderness Park, Don Youlen Park and Brazie Park.

<u>Senior Citizen Director Lura Raymo</u>- Absent -report submitted — Our Senior group enjoyed our corned beef luncheon last Thursday.

We will be holding an AARP Defensive Driving Class on 4/18/23 from 9am- 3:30 pm. It is open to the public and people of all ages.

<u>Karen Day Youth Director</u> – Youth Program Winter Spring is over except for one last event, Candy Bar Bingo, it will be held at the Deerfield Fire Hall. Thank you to the Fire Department for allowing us free usage of the facility. This event is open to the public and is a blast.

Soon we will be getting ready for the Summer Program

Youth Leader Anne Christophory

Town Attorney: William Schmitt: Nothing to Report

MEDIA TIME - NONE

LATE PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR -

EXECUTIVE SESSION - none

MOTION TO PAY BILLS

Councilperson Collins moved and Councilperson Kolek seconded a motion to pay Sewer Fund bill number 3. Councilpersons, P Sacco, G. Sacco Collins, Kolek and Supervisor Mahardy voted yes and the motion was approved.

Councilperson Greg Sacco moved and Councilperson Collins seconded a motion to pay Highway Fund bills number 27-47 Councilpersons P.Sacco, G. Sacco Kolek, Collins and Supervisor Scott Mahardy voted yes, and the motion was approved.

Councilperson Collins moved and Councilperson Kolek seconded a motion to pay General Fund bill number 73 -104. Councilpersons P. Sacco, G. Sacco, Kolek, Collins and Supervisor Scott Mahardy voted yes, and the motion was approved.

ADJOURN:

Councilperson P Sacco moved and Councilperson Kolek seconded a motion to adjourn. Councilpersons P Sacco, G. Sacco, Kolek, and Supervisor Scott Mahardy voted yes, the motion was approved, and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted

Karen M. Day

Town Clerk

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Town of Deerfield 6329 Walker Rd Public Hearing Minutes April 8th 2023 6pm

The Deerfield Town Board held a Public Hearing meeting on 8th of April, 2023 at 6pm. Present were Councilpersons Greg Sacco, David Kolek, Michael Collins. Supervisor Scott Mahardy, Town Clerk Karen Day, Attorney for the Town William Schmitt. Councilperson Phil Sacco – Excused. Supervisor Scott Mahardy called the meeting to order at 6:00PM with the Pledge of Allegiance, and the Town Clerk took roll call.

Discussion on proposed moratorium on Wind Power Facilities, local Law. In attendance was Greg Sacco Sr. and Daphne Jones, and Town Board members. No further discussion or opposing views were discussed.

ADJOURN:

Councilperson Kolek moved and Councilperson Collins seconded a motion to adjourn. Councilpersons G. Sacco, Kolek, Collins and Supervisor Scott Mahardy voted yes, the motion was approved, and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen M. Day Town Clerk

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Town of Deerfield Town Board Meeting Minutes May 8th, 2023

The Deerfield Town Board held its regular monthly meeting on May 8th, 2023. Present were Councilpersons, P. Sacco, Greg Sacco, David Kolek, Michael Collins. Supervisor Scott Mahardy, Town Clerk Karen Day, Attorney for the Town William Schmitt & Highway Superintendant Sam Arcuri Jr... Supervisor Scott Mahardy called the meeting to order at 6:30PM with the Pledge of Allegiance, and the Town Clerk took roll call.

MINUTES

Councilperson Collins moved and Councilperson G. Sacco seconded that motion to approve the minutes of the regular Town Board meeting of May 8th, 2023. The motion was approved. Councilperson Kolek moved and Councilperson Collins seconded that motion to approve the Public Hearing Minutes of May 8th 2023. The Motion was approved.

EARLY PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:

CORRESPONDENCE:

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution 32-2023 LL # Section 487 - Approved
Resolution 33-2023 Resignation BAR/ZBA - Approved
Resolution 34-2023` Retirement - Approved
Resolution 35-2023 Marcy/Drfld Sewer Agrmt — Approved
Resolution 36- 2023 Mechanic - Approved

OFFICIAL REPORTS

<u>County Legislator Buck</u>: provided Report and spoke to the County working on more reliable voting machines. Child advocacy Center, moved from the Building on Walker Rd and has moved to Genesee St. in Utica.

<u>Supervisor Scott Mahardy</u> – Discussed the Meeting with Borelex being held tonight at the Newport Town hall, Newport Fire departments regarding getting the community engaged for the Host Community Agreement. Zach from Borelex contacted Supervisor Mahardy, 2 days following to offer the same for the Town of Deerfield. Supervisor Mahardy said he would have

to bring it to Deerfield Town Board for discussion. So, in the Future, it will have to be done as a Town Forum, not solely with the Town Board.

Councilperson - Philip Sacco - submitted a report.

- Spoke with Mark Lisberg several times during April on the status of Bidding the Town Trash Transfer Building. He said they were close on getting it out to bid. He did not return my call today for a last-minute update prior to this meeting tonight.
- I also received a call on a Street light that is out on Wells Dr. I reported it to Superintendant Arcuri. He reported it to National Grid.

Councilperson G. Sacco – nothing to report Councilperson Collins – Nothing to report

Councilperson Kolek – Report filed. I received a complaint of a hourse and yard at 10418 Doyle Rd. The yard is littered with trash and full black trash bags. The house looks abandoned with broken windows and such. I emailed Building Inspector Maxwell and the Board.

<u>Town Clerk Karen</u> Day – report provided.

- Garage Sale weekend is May 19,20, &21, the list if filling up quickly.
- The Wilderness Park Pavilion rentals are most completely booked for all weekend in June-July- And August.
- FOIL requests come in constantly they take a great deal of my time, and are time sensitive.
- I would like to ask the board to consider a substitute for the Clerk's Assist, as Anne
 Christophory, is selling her home, and must commit herself to that when it would be
 beneficial for her to help me out in the office. I was thinking of simple duties like making
 copies, opening mail, and filing.

Highway Superintendant Sam Arcuri Jr. report given

Green Waste

Want to remind the board about the storm that ripped a portion off the old pole barn. Need to appoint a Parks Person, an employee to mow the grounds and care for the Parks. I had a gentleman who worked for a couple of hours but once I received the email from you, Supervisor Mahardy, I put his work on hold.

Supervisor Mahardy asked the board if they had any concerns with the hiring of Nelson Pohoresky, - no one spoke up, Highway Superintendent was given permission to hire Mr. Pohoresky.

Working with IT Mike Long, to get the new Fuel Program up and running. Beaton Industrial has replaced all the overhead door seals.

The first Trash Drop Off Day at the Firehouse was overwhelming – I have never seen anything like that and I had only 3 guys to work with. Thankfully 2 fireman came by to assist. I am hoping

that this was just a first-time situation. The traffic went around the building down to Firehouse Road and down Trenton Road. The next time I may have to reach out to some of the Town Board Members to assist in this process.

Supervisor Mahardy asked what happened to the verbal agreement with the Highway workers to step up for this? Sam responded that the Town only has 5 employees working at this time. There were 18 dumpsters, do not know the tons as of yet.

Spoke to the City of Utica's Engineer Stephanie Wurz about Deerwood Road, a piece of property she was looking to do some grants work these pieces of property are not in Deerfield, it was discussed that Deerfield put in drain basins and pipes to connect to Utica.

Received a quote on the Repair needed for Crooked Brook Rd. Approximately 10 years ago the Town did some minor repairs, however it has washed away again. It is close to the road.

Went to a Sewer meeting in Whitesboro, they are still getting sewer overflows and the County is or will be coming to the Towns to ask us to get our elicit water out of the system. I am researching the reading and will be working with the County.

So, I am just giving the Board and update.

FEMA called a couple weeks ago, about Reels Creek, To see where we stand. Told them we have not had a chance yet. I have talks with the DEC, there is new paperwork that needs to be done. I will be working on that tomorrow and will contact a core of engineers.

COMMITTEE REPORTS-

Building Inspector: Jim Maxwell provided a report.

Building permits – 16

Working on property maintenance issues

Continuing to work with Clear Path on the Solar Energy Project

Board of Assessors George Haskell: No report filed.

Grievance Day is set for May 23^{rd} 2023. I will be available to discuss with residents prior to then, on Tuesdays May 9^{th} 5pm – 9pm and 16 5pm-9pm as well as Saturday 20^{th} at the Town Municipal Building.

Planning Board Chair Pati Goldsmith Report filed.

The Planning Board continued to work on updating the Wind Energy Local Law. Members will be reaching out to several agencies to gather the most current information regarding this subject.

Zoning Board of Appeals Lura Raymo,

Held a public hearing and approved a small lot for a cell tower, If we are replacing the open seat – I am would like to see someone from the upper end apply to keep the committee even between upper and lower resident.

Town Historian- Gerald Talerico – nothing to report

Celebration Committee: N/A

Senior Citizen Director Lura Raymo- no report submitted – verbal report –

We will have our Pot Luck Luncheon this Thursday, and attended our Trip to Theodores in Canastota, NY, Also there was a trip with the Singing Waters Senior Group to a Winery. Parks Committee – Debbie Burke – absent – now report.

<u>Karen Day Youth Director</u> – Looking forward to our Summer Park program, I am happy to say that all of our Youth Staff, plans on returning.

We will be putting together our schedule as well as our field trips and I hope that the trips can be subsidized with the Grant money with we were awarded by the State.

Youth Leader Anne Christophory not present

Town Attorney: William Schmitt: Nothing to Report

MEDIA TIME - NONE

LATE PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR -

Jim LaPalia – Resident at Croissant Circle. Had a Repetitive Request –

Water run off on his street. The road continues to suffer from on going damage due to this water. It is unsafe to walk or have children play or ride bikes in their own neighborhood. Mr. LaPalia brought in photos to show the Town Board the damage. Our Driveways are suffering.

Mr. LaPalia is asking for a partial resolution, in the very least while the plans for a permanent solution, could there be temporary repairs to keep the people and residents safe? Councilperson P.Sacco and Supervisor Mahardy, spoke to the 800,000.00 price to the work, discussions were held with the Utica Engineering – Stephanie Wurz. She is not eager to assist in this matter.

Mr. Herring from Clear Path Solar came forward to speak to the Town about a bond that has been used in several other Communities and has been accepted by those towns. He discussed differences in Bonds.

Mr. Herring is aware that Solar Facilities are not well liked in Deerfield. However, they are willing to work with the Community and work with the Towns.

Clearpath needs time to work with board to craft language that works for the Board and Clearpath Bonding Co. Clearpath drafted a Environmental Permit replacing a co-mingled

\$400,000 bond. That is 269,000 dollars, and 130,000 dollars for grass line natural program, cutting grass once a year. Making it easier for the DEC and Town to manage.

Due to the Town wanting to go with a cancelable Bond – that forces Clearpath to come up with the \$400,000 Bond up front day one.

Supervisor Mahardy said he doesn't know where Clearpath got the idea that the Town would ever have accepted a cancelable Bond. There were never any conversations implying that. With the advice of our Attorney, it was never a Cancelable Bond. We must protect the Landowners and we must protect the town. That is the reason for a NON-Cancelable Bond.

Mr. Herring states that we are protected as of now and asks that we accept the Bond that we have for the next 60 days, and provide the Permit, as Clearpath prepares for the NON-Cancelable Bond.

Supervisor Mahardy, says that until the Town gets language in front of them of the co-joining of the two the cancelable and non-cancelable for the board to look at and accept, requires a public meeting, so we have not seen that language yet, we have nothing in writing.

Mr. Herring asked, "why does the Town need it in writing marrying the two"?

Supervisor – "because I am going to protect the town and again in order for the Board to make this move, it would first have to have Public Hearing and advertising as well.

The Decommissioning Bond is an integral part of this process, and we have put it out to Randell Corporation for assistance in that review as we do not have the in-house knowledge, we are waiting on a report. The review process has not been completed.

Supervisor Mahardy reminded Mr. Herring that it was Clearpath who went dark for 7months. Mr. Herring says it is well understood.

Mr. Herring - Do you need the new language to be implemented and in place for the board to discuss it?

Attorney Schmitt answers – you have a bond now that is cancelable in 60 days, that is the bond that we will take, and then with in 60 days you will present us with the non-cancelable bond in the amount of 402,512.00 if you don't do that with in 60 days then the Town of Deerfield will revoke your permit.

Mr. Herring – then you want that agreement with the Bond with the new non-cancelable language attached to it, so that both of you can sign?

Attorney Schmitt – yes to answer your question – yes.

Supervisor – at that point we will set up the public hearing, so all can read it and vote.

Ryan O'Rourke – Ryan asks if they can get a cancelable bond, then the Town will give them a permit?

Attorney Schmitt – reiterates the term again. We will take a cancelable bond for 60 days and it will be replaced with a non-cancelable bond. If it is not then the building permit will be revoked.

Ryan O'Rourke asks what if Clearpath cannot get the non-cancelable bond within 60 days? Supervisor states they will be shut down, permit yanked.

Ryan O'Rourke continues to speak of his dismay, on how the process has gone along the way. His feeling that the town had opportunities to stop this throughout the process, seeming like the Town had overlooked a few opportunities to stop them from going forward.

EXECUTIVE SESSION - none

MOTION TO PAY BILLS

Councilperson G. Sacco moved and Councilperson Collins seconded a motion to pay **Sewer Fund** bill number 5. Councilpersons P Sacco, Collins, Kolek and Supervisor Mahardy voted yes and the motion **was approved**.

Councilperson G. Sacco moved and Councilperson Collins seconded a motion to pay Highway Fund bills number 75-91 Councilpersons P.Sacco, Kolek, Collins and Supervisor Scott Mahardy voted yes, and the motion was approved.

Councilperson Kolek moved and Councilperson G. Sacco seconded a motion to pay **General** Fund bill number 130 -175 Councilpersons P. Sacco, Kolek, Collins and Supervisor Scott Mahardy voted yes, and the motion was approved.

ADJOURN: Councilperson P. Sacco made the motion and G. Sacco

Respectfully submitted,

Karen M. Day Town Clerk

Town of Deerfield

Special Deerfield Town Board Meeting Thursday May 18th 2023 6329 Walker Rd Deerfield NY 13502

A special town board meeting was held on May 18th 2023 at 6:00pm at the Deerfield Municipal Building at 6329 Walker Rd, Deerfield, NY 13502 The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by the attendance. All Board members were present.

Privilege of the Floor – Ryan O'Rourke

Ryan spoke of his opinion pertaining to approving the decommissioning bond. That his feelings are that we as a town should not give them any special leeway. The Town has had chances to stop this progress and have not done so.

Resolution 38 2023 Decommissioning Bond

Vote taken – Vote came 3 – 2

Counselman - Phil Sacco - yes

Counselman - Greg Sacco - yes

Counselman - Mike Collins - no

Counselman - Dave Kolek - no

Supervisor Mahardy – yes

Vote is in favor and Resolution 38-2023 is passed.

Motion to adjourn Counselman P. Sacco - all in favor. 6:30 pm

Respectfully Submitted

Karen Day

Town Clerk

Town of Deerfield Town Board Meeting Minutes June 10th, 2023



The Deerfield Town Board held its regular monthly meeting on June 10th, 2023. Present were Councilpersons, P. Sacco, Michael Collins. Supervisor Scott Mahardy, Town Clerk Karen Day, Attorney for the Town William Schmitt & Highway Superintendant Sam Arcuri Jr... Councilpersons G. Sacco and D. Kolek were excused. Supervisor Scott Mahardy called the meeting to order at 6:30PM with the Pledge of Allegiance, and the Town Clerk took roll call.

MINUTES

Councilperson Collins moved and Councilperson P. Sacco seconded that motion to approve the minutes of the regular Town Board meeting of May 8th th, 2023. The motion was approved.

EARLY PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR: Nick Labella, spoke on behalf of building opportunities on the Property owned by the Elefante Family. Prospects which would benefit the Town of Deerfield financial, business, and Taxable revenue.

Board members received the information enthusiastically.

CORRESPONDENCE:

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution 39 -2023	Approved
Resolution -40 -2023	Approved
Resolution – 41 - 2023`	Approved
Resolution -42 - 2023	Approved
Resolution – 43- 2023	Approved
Resolution – 44 – 2023	Approved
Resolution – 45 – 2023	Approved
Resolution – 46 – 2023	Approved

OFFICIAL REPORTS

County Legislator Buck: provided Report - attached

- County Road work has begun in Deerfield.
- Working with OC DPW to address the water issue on Cosby Manor Rd.
- Scheduled time to do a Ride A Long with Highway Superintendant Arcuri to look at County roads and address any concerns or issue
- I am looking to the County for money to help Deerfield Flood Mitigation.

Supervisor Scott Mahardy -

Councilperson - Philip Sacco - submitted a report.

• Corresponded with Mark Lisberg several times since the last Board meeting. Final plans were submitted to the board for approval to go to bid. There are two minor issues to amend the plans. Spoke with Mark Lisberg about them and it was decided that they will not hold up the Bidding process. We Were unsuccessful in getting a Federal Grant for the DOI through Congressman Brandon Williams. However we found the possibility of a NYS Grant for local Government Efficiency Funds for Operational Efficiencies. We will be pursuing this opportunity. Also spoke with Highway Superintendant Arcuri on a ditch issue at Walker Rd. and Beaumond Place.

Councilperson G. Sacco – Absent/ Excused Councilperson Collins – Nothing to report

Councilperson Kolek - Absent/Excused

Town Clerk Karen Day - report provided. Attached

Since the last Town Board meeting – the Clerk has received 3 more FOIL requests. 2 of which are completed and sent and the 3rd I am still working on. Looking to Our Attorney's direction. What is the general rule for fees in relation to FOIL requests. Is there a higher amount established for work done, or is it just paper (.25) and postage?

Attorney Schmitt says it is postage and the .25 cent per sheet of paper.

- Cable service seems much slower than in the past.
- Robert Fuller, Park Caretaker, reported that after a baseball game the coaches locked the bathroom doors, when they left the park leaving the renters with no access to bathroom. Renter was not too happy.
 - Another Renter blew a circuit breaker during their party, however it continued with no issues.
- Attended the newly reorganized Oneida County Town Clerk's Association meeting on Tuesday May 6th in Westmoreland. It was a terrific experience and source of information. Next meeting will be in 2 months.
- Next Town Newsletter will be going on for July 2023 All articles as re expected to be in no later than June 26th 2023.

• Looking for a volunteer to beautify the Municipal Building landscape. It is overgrown with weeds and plants, as well as dead plants.

<u>Highway Superintendant Sam Arcuri Jr.</u> report given Report attached.

COMMITTEE REPORTS-

Building Inspector: Jim Maxwell provided a report.

Building permits - 24

Working on property issues in the town,

- Garbage and Trash on property one has been sent to court to rectify.
- Property upkeep ie Grass sent out a few letters to those who are lacking in care and are well above the codes length and care.
- Light Issues a resident wants another neighbor sited for "too bright lights on his home". I
 will have to order a light sensor to take care of this issue.
- ClearPath has been issued their permit and they have done a lot of work at the site so far.
 The biologist has been on site every day and there been no sigh of the Sand Pipers, I have
 stopped by the site daily to check on progress and make sure everything is being done to the
 plans.

Board of Assessors George Haskell: No report filed.

Final roll has been completed and filed.

Planning Board Chair Pati Goldsmith Report submitted.

The Planning Board continued to work on updating the Wind Energy Local Law. Members have reviewed the current zoning regulations and highlighted the items that need to be researched and potentially updated.

The Planning Board received an informational packet from Jeff Kehoe, NYS Ag and Markets Land and Water Resources Division, regarding creating a Municipal Agriculture and Farmland Protection Plan. Grant Money is available up to \$25,000 or 75% of the cost. Town Cost 20%. The plan can be developed by one or two towns, in which case we could work with Marcy or Trenton. Even though Oneida County has a farmland protection plan in place, an additional plan specific to Deerfield may add an additional layer of protection for our area. Typically, it takes about 18 months to complete the process. Planning board members will reach out to different agencies for more information.

Zoning Board of Appeals Lura Raymo,

Met with our Building and Codes Officer Jim Maxwell to keep up on any information either of our departments need to share.

Town Historian- Gerald Talerico – absent

Senior Citizen Director Lura Raymo- no report submitted – verbal report – Seniors want to thank the board for the relief from the heat with the new substitute air conditioner that was installed by Councilperson P. Sacco. With that and a few fans, the Seniors should be comfortable. We have a quiet month otherwise. We have two trips planned, one in September and one in December. We also have joined together with the singing Hills Seniors to share trips to PA, and to the Turning Stone.

Parks Committee – Debbie Burke – report submitted.

- The committee toured the Town's 3 parks on 4/17/23 and conducted an evaluation of needs and preferences for each specific park.
- Reports on the Park's condition, maintenance needed, and proposed development.
- Parks committee requested to meet with the Town Board to develop a plan and budget for the parks.

Karen Day Youth Director -

Deerfield Summer Youth Program – Phone calls and messages are coming in with interest in the program.

I am working with the local bus company Birnie Bus, for prices and admission prices of some of the places for our field trips.

Still looking into the purchase of a projector, I know very little about electronics. We would need one strong enough to show movies outside. Looking for assistance from someone who knows their stuff.

We are hoping that these last few items will be able to be provided by the Grant that was awarded by the Children and Family services grant that we were awarded.

Written request of field trips and admissions to be submitted towards the Children and Families Grant was provided.

Youth Leader Anne Christophory not present

Town Attorney: William Schmitt: Nothing to Report

Town of Deerfield Town Board Meeting Minutes July 10th, 2023



The Deerfield Town Board held its regular monthly meeting off June 10th, 2025. Present were Councilpersons, P. Sacco, Greg Sacco, Michael Collins Excused were Supervisor Mahardy and Councilperson Dave Kolek, Town Clerk Karen Day, Attorney for the Town William Schmitt & Highway Superintendant Sam Arcuri Jr. Councilperson Greg Sacco called the meeting to order at 6:30PM with the Pledge of Allegiance, and the Town Clerk took roll call.

MINUTES

Councilperson Collins moved and Councilperson P. Sacco seconded that motion to approve the minutes of the regular Town Board meeting of June 12th, 2023. The motion was approved.

EARLY PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR - NONE

CORRESPONDENCE:

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution 47 2023 - LL#\$ Firehouse road Parking Approved

Resolution 48 2023 - Speed Study - Approved

Resolution 49 2023 - Park Caretaker - Approved

Resolution 50 - 2023 - Whitesboro Cross Country - approved

Resolution 51 – 2023 – Bid on Grader – Approved

OFFICIAL REPORTS

County Legislator Buck: absent

Supervisor Scott Mahardy - absent

Councilperson - Philip Sacco - submitted a report.

- June 27th attended the pre-bid construction meeting her at the municipal Building, The bids are due in the Town Clerk's office by 2 pm July 18th 2023.
- 2. Also attended the parks committee meeting at the municipal Building, reviews the list of the three parks needs with the committee. Councilperson Greg Sacco is working on a grant for the larger needs at the parks.
- 3. Received an email from Clerk Karen Day requesting that I reach out to a resident on Cosby Manor Rd who has questions about the Grant that we didn't get through, Congressman Brandon Williams's office.
- 4. Spoke with Don Hall about a grant written Community (in audible) report.

Councilperson G. Sacco – nothing to report Councilperson Collins – Nothing to report Councilperson Kolek – Absent/Excused

<u>Town Clerk Karen</u> Day – report provided. Attached

Newsletter is out in the mailboxes.

Clerk's office closed for vacation 7/31-8/4 2023 looking of assistance in bringing in and distributing the daily mail - councilperson P. Sacco, Senior Director Lura Raymo and Judge Larkin all commented they would assist.

Next newsletter goes out beginning of October, please have your articles to the Clerk via email at the end of September 25^{th} 2023

The board was briefed on the break in of the Town Park pavilion – Youth room and maintenance closet AGAIN. Deputy Keith Sack took the report. He detailed his report with photos of doors and damaged locks.

A Deadbolt lock was recommended for the youth program room. Camera's NEEDED

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<u>Highway Superintendant Sam Arcuri Jr.</u> report given Report attached.

- Went to Ithaca for training put on by Cornell Local Roads Program
 Would like to look into further the information on GIS program for mapping the
 towns signs and culverts akso is expandable for other assets the town owns.
 Would like to look further into the cost \$650 a year for the software.
- 2. Finished up with the month's rental on the grader, evaluated the machine to buy, I believe the 2008 machine is worth buying. The price is 117000 which is in line with the other graders I have looked at online. The old county graders are going up for auction, they are 1984 model and need some work. Would like to bid on the one we had last summer.
- 3. Received the paperwork for Horatio Street South going from the town pf Deerfield back to NYS.
- 4. Working on Smith Hill Road getting ready to pave.
- 5. I would like to say thanks to Supervisor Mahardy for his help at the last trash drop off at the firehouse on June 24th.
- 6. The town is going to receive grant money for the replacement of Firehouse Road Bridge under Bridge NY funding. We have been putting in for the state money for three years in a row.
- 7. 7 getting qutes back on Fairview Place repair and Domser Dr. repairs.
- 8. Sewer meeting tomorrow with County Sewer District in Whitesboro, talk about private II. How to repair this.
- 9. Changed flags at the Wilderness park.

COMMITTEE REPORTS-

Building Inspector: Jim Maxwell provided a report.

Building permits – 26

Was on vacation the las week of June and came back to some issues. Fences, garage with no permit, 145 Marnie St tried to serve second violation with no success, now we will be sending to court. I will keep the board posted on the outcome. I had to purchase a light meter to try to take care of the light issues I will have to come in at night when it is dark to check on how bright the lights are. Hopefully this will end the complaint.

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The Clearpath project has slowed down some but still is going well.

<u>Board of Assessors George Haskell</u>: No report filed. Final roll has been completed and filed.

Planning Board Chair Pati Goldsmith Report submitted.

The planning board continued work on updating the Wind Energy Local Law.

Municipal Agriculture and Farmland Protection Plan:

Marty Broccoli and other staff from Cornell Cooperative Extension will be attending the August 9th, 2023, planning board meeting. They will give a presentation and answer questions regarding the development of a farmland protection plan for Deerfield. Jeff Kehoe, NYS AG and Markets, may also attend this meeting or a future planning board meeting.

Zoning Board of Appeals Lura Raymo, Its been a quiet month.

Town Historian- Gerald Talerico – absent

<u>Senior Citizen Director Lura Raymo</u>- no report submitted – verbal report – We have two trips planned, one in September and one in December. We also have joined together with the singing Hills Seniors to share trips to PA, and to the Turning Stone.

Parks Committee - Debbie Burke - NO report submitted.

<u>Karen Day Youth Director</u> – As already discussed under the Clerk's report about the Theft at the Pavilion and the items stolen from the break in of the maintenance room and the Youth Program supply room. I posted on our FB page the circumstances in hopes that perhaps someone would take notice of some of our missing property. The response was incredible, People were offering support, donations, suggestions on Security measures, I must say we definitely live in a caring community.

ADJOURN: Councilperson P. Sacco made the motion and Councilperson Collins

Respectfully submitted,

Karen M. Day

Town Clerk

Town of Deerfield

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Town of Deerfield Town Board Meeting Minutes August 11th 2023



The Deerfield Town Board held its regular monthly meeting on July 10th, 2023. Present were Councilpersons Greg Sacco, Michael Dave Kolek Supervisor Mahardy, Town Clerk Karen Day, Attorney for the Town William Schmitt & Highway Superintendant Sam Arcuri Jr. Council persons P. Sacco, and Collins Excused. Supervisor Mahardy called the meeting to order at 6:30PM with the Pledge of Allegiance, and the Town Clerk took roll call.

MINUTES for Councilperson G. Sacco moved and Councilperson D Kolek seconded the motion to accept the July 10^{th} regular town Board meeting July 10^{th} Meeting minutes.

Councilperson Kolek moved and Councilperson G. Sacco seconded that motion to approve the minutes of the public hearing meeting of July 18th, 2023. The motion was approved.

EARLY PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR - NONE

CORRESPONDENCE:

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution 53 2023 - Wilderness Pavilion Rental fee - approved

Resolution 54 Budget - Workshop Approved

Resolution 55 Budget Hearing Approved

Resolution 56 Bridge NY Approved

OFFICIAL REPORTS

County Legislator Buck: Spoke to the hotel tax and Sales tax up

Supervisor Scott Mahardy -

Councilperson - Philip Sacco - Excused - no report

Councilperson G. Sacco - nothing to report

Councilperson Collins - excused

Councilperson Kolek – report provided

Received a call from a Jane Lopata 159 Forrest St. A complaint about trash and oder from the neighbor's driveway 161 Forrest St. There are two waste management bills full of trash. She has seen varmints around the location.

Supervisor Mahardy will discuss this with the Codes Officer – James Maxwell.

Town Clerk Karen Day – report provided. Attached

- 1. Wifi is still very slow especially during rainstorms, Spoke with IT Mike Long He said that we are still using a very old (grandfathered) Plan from the original Adelphia. Moving to a better plan would make our computers move at a much faster rate.
- 2. Spoke to Oneida County Co.'s Michael Debrango, who heads the Prisoner work program.
- 3. Town park needs more attention, painting and staining and sign poles.
- 4. Park Rental Caretaker says garage windows no longer lock.
- 5. BBQ Pit is in poor condition.
- 6. Website is coming along, looking for information to continue updating.
- 7. TOWN NEWSLETTER will go to print in October. Will need submissions NO LATER than September 20th.
- 8. Looking to replace our Town Historian who was unable to continue his position.
- 9. Looking to replace our Cleaning/ Maintenance person for the Municipal and Highway buildings.
- 10. No news on the park break in from the Sheriff's Department, however there has been a huge outcry from the community.

Almost all the equipment and supplies were replaced by the community in the form of donations.

<u>Highway Superintendant Sam Arcuri Jr.</u> detailed report provided Report attached.

1. Attended Ithaca training put on by Cornell Local Roads Program,

Took class on GIS Program for mapping the towns signs and culverts.

- 2. Town Bid on 2 Oneida Co. graders,
- 3. Town Needs to put up fencing and cameras around the Highway Garage, stolen was 4 chains taken out of one of our trailers last week.
- 4. The next week the Highway Department will be working at cleaning up the trails in the Wilderness Park
- Town is going to receive Grant money for the replacement of Firehouse Road Bridge under Bridge Funding.
- Quotes were received back on the Fairview Pl. repair and Domser Dr. Repairs.
 Will try to work on drainage on Fairview Dr. and try to get the paving work done if the budget permits.
- 7. The Town's New Plow Truck is almost done, went to Watertown last week to look at the progress.
- Check with Utica Mack and trucks right now are still 2 years away. With will have another truck due for replacement if we stick to our plan we have set in place.
- 9. DEC regulations Fuel Tanks have changed.
- 10. Highway Department Superintendent's door, is in poor condition, no longer will stay closed.
- Working on Smith Hill Road Base paving is complete. Still two weeks away from topping the road.

COMMITTEE REPORTS-

Building Inspector: Jim Maxwell provided a report.

Building permits - 29

- 1. 145 Marnie St. garbage issue has been corrected will keep watch as we go forward.
- Summerset Way have light complaints from one neighbor against neighboring residents. I have been on site at night and do not see an issue. Will check with a light meter and tell complainant that if the light meter shows no code violation the case will be dropped.
- 3. Clearpath is two thirds of the way done putting up posts for panels. They have received 5 loads of solar panels this week. Things are moving a little slow. I am monitoring their progress.

Board of Assessors George Haskell: No report filed.

All set for School Taxes.

Planning Board Chair Pati Goldsmith Report submitted.

The planning board continued work on updating the Wind Energy Local Law. Municipal Agriculture and Farmland Protection Plan:

Zoning Board of Appeals Lura Raymo,

It's been a quiet month. Very little going on. Not much form Codes Officer. Seems no one is building or they are sneaking them in.

Town Historian-position still open

<u>Senior Citizen Director Lura Raymo</u>- no report submitted – verbal report – We have two trips planned, one in September and one in December. We also have joined together with the singing Hills Seniors to share trips to PA, and to the Turning Stone. All else is going well.

Parks Committee - Debbie Burke - NO report submitted.

Karen Day Youth Director -

Our 6 Week Summer Park program ended with a splash. Our year end party consisted of water slide, and plenty of Rain. Many Parents and Guardians donated wonderfully to our decorations and party food.

There were no issues with either children or Staff members.

We had an average of 65 children a day with field trips in the 70s.

We took in \$3500.00 from nonresidents attending and a bill has already been sent to Schuyler who works with us.

The people in the community were amazing with donations. We had a Christmas in July day where we allowed all the kids to open the boxes of toys, electronic and supplies.

Fall schedule will be coming out in late September.

Youth Leader Anne Christophory - Spoke to how well the Team work together and how much they all enjoyed working with the youth. She also mentioned that the average of Youth is probably higher than I reported.

Town Attorney: William Schmitt: Nothing to Report

MEDIA TIME - NONE

LATE PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR — Resident Jane Buckner — mentioned that she has had calls into the Codes Department about her chain-link fence in the rear of her yard. Her neighbors do not groom their property and there are trees and branches causing damage to her fence, which she has paid for.

EXECUTIVE SESSION - none

MOTION TO PAY BILLS

Sewer Fund bill #7 Councilperson G. Sacco moved and Councilperson P. Kolek seconded a motion and the motion was approved.

Highway Fund bills number 133 - 159 moved by Councilperson Kolek and Councilperson G. Sacco voted yes, and the motion was approved.

Councilperson Collins moved and Councilperson P. Sacco seconded a motion to pay **General Fund** bill number 243 - 284 Councilpersons G. Sacco and Councilperson P. Kolek voted yes, and the motion was approved.

ADJOURN : Councilperson Kolek made the motion and Councilperson G. Sacco. Motion approved

Respectfully submitted

Karen M. Day

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Town of Deerfield Town Board Meeting Minutes September 11th 2023



The Deerfield Town Board held its regular monthly meeting on September 11th, 2023. Present were Councilpersons Phile Sacco, Greg Sacco, Michael Collins, Dave Kolek Supervisor Mahardy, Town Clerk Karen Day, Attorney for the Town William Schmitt & Highway Superintendant Sam Arcuri Jr. Supervisor Mahardy called the meeting to order at 6:30PM with the Pledge of Allegiance, and the Town Clerk took roll call.

MINUTES for Councilperson Collins moved and Councilperson D Kolek seconded the motion to accept the July $10^{\rm th}$ regular town Board meeting July $10^{\rm th}$ Meeting minutes.

EARLY PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR - NONE

CORRESPONDENCE: OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS : RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution 57 2023 - Public Hearing Franchise Agreement

OFFICIAL REPORTS

County Legislator Buck: absent - no report

Supervisor Scott Mahardy -

Councilperson - Philip Sacco - received 3 calls involving Codes Dept,

- Wells Dr, Bell Hill Rd, and Cosby Manor Rd I notified Codes Officer Maxwell on all three and he is addressing all of them.
- Greg Sacco Sr and I installed a dead-bolt lock at the park's You Program Closet Door after Items were stolen.

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- Supervisor, Mahardy, Superintendent Arcuri and I are currently working on our Grant Reimbursement for two flood mitigation jobs on Ravine Dr. both jobs are complete and should make quite a difference on future heavy rainfall.
- Town Clerk Day informed me that the Fireplace Grill at the Wilderness Park needs repair. I spoke with Superintendant Arcuri and he will be rebuilding the grates.
- 2/3 of the fiscal year is upon us and happy to report the Town is very healthy.

Councilperson G. Sacco – verbal report- I am working with Michael Dibrango and the Oneida County to line up dates for prisoner work program to do upgrades) painting – staining and repairs of the Wilderness Park Pavilion. Will continue to update.

Councilperson Collins – nothing to report.

Councilperson Kolek - verbal report

Received a request from the new director of the Utica Road Runners Skeleton Run Race. He is looking to see if I (Dave Kolek) will be able to continue the tradition of leading the races on the 4-wheeler with Gorilla mask. After 16 years of holding that honor, unfortunately I am committed elsewhere on that day and cannot do it. So, they are looking for someone else who could do it. Supervisor Mahardy offered to use his own 4-wheeler and lead the races, MINUS the gorilla mask.

Town Clerk Karen Day - Verbal report

- 1. Mentioned that Mike Long, who has acted as our IT for some time, has taken a new job and will be limited for time on his availability to the Town.
- 2. Spoke with the new race director of the Skeleton Run, Robert Kapfer. Robert is a Town resident, living on upper Walker Rd. about the condition of the trail, where the bridge has washed out behind the Municipal Building. He is wondering if it would be repaired in Time for the race. Highway Superintendant Arcuri, said that that bridge is no slated for repair until next year, as a complete new one will need to be put in place. Some work was done in that area to make the stream a bit more crossable, and the hill was graded a little to make it less of a extreme hill to run on.

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- 3. As in the past, I have written requests to the Fire Department's EMT for coverage during the day of the Race and will continue to do it this year.
- 4. Keyes will be given to Robert Kapfer, the day before the race so that he may stock up the pavilion with supplies.
- Graffiti was found on the back garage door of the pavilion, Supervisor Mahardy said he will investigate having it removed.
- 6. Newsletters are to go out in October. Need all articles by September 25th.

<u>Highway Superintendant Sam Arcuri Jr.</u> detailed report provided. Report attached.

- 1. I was contacted by the County Representative for the Bridger NY Project for information.
- 2. There was sewer pump problem at the Motel on Trenton Rd. I called Bob Lynn Sewer Service. He replaced both pumps and control unit.
- 3. The drainage project of Ravine Dr. is complete and I am finishing some last paperwork.
- 4. The Smith Hill Road paving project only needs a small amount of shoulder work to finish.
- 5. The Highway Department has been working on Steuben Rd East, Steuben Rd and Cheese Factory Rd getting ready to chip seal.
- 6. Repaired the park Trails for now, need to rebuild a bridge next year. Pulled out the cooking surface on the grill at the park to rebuild.
- 7. There was an inspection on the Transfer station is going to be on Wednesday $9/13^{th}$ at 11am.
- 8. We are looking to patch Fairview PI for the year so we can get some maintenance work done.
- 9. Looking to buy a 20,000lbs tilt deck trailer for 2024 and I am getting quotes.
- 10. Storm Damage discussion.

COMMITTEE REPORTS-

<u>Building Inspector:</u> Jim Maxwell provided a report. Building permits – 31

1. 161 Forrest St. owners finally mowed their lawn and started to pick up garbage. I have stopped by on two occasions, with in 1 week and finally was

- able to talk to the resident. I told him that the garbage needs to be completely cleaned up- not just part of it. I will be returning this next week and if they have not complied, they will be given a citation and go to court.
- Summerset way issue with the light trespassing I have been by on two
 separate nights to do reading with my light meter, After doing the reading I
 have found that there is no Light trespassing, I have sent a copy of my finding
 to all parties involved and to the Town Supervisor.

<u>Board of Assessors George Haskell</u>: verbal report. Getting ready to received the Exemption Applications

<u>Planning Board Chair</u> Pati Goldsmith Report submitted.

The planning board continued work on updating the Wind Energy Local Law.

Municipal Agriculture and Farmland Protection Plan: Three of the Planning Board members will be attending a course in The Town of Webb.

Zoning Board of Appeals Lura Raymo, verbal report It's been a quiet month. Very little is going on. No referrals from the Building Officer.

Town Historian-position still open

<u>Senior Citizen Director Lura Raymo</u>- no report submitted – verbal report – 7 Seniors took the First Aid course that Judge Larkin set up with the Deerfield Fire Department. This Thursday will be Lasagna Day.

Parks Committee - Debbie Burke - NO report submitted.

Karen Day Youth Director -

In between programs, nothing to report – Will start working on the Fall/Winter Program

Youth Leader Anne Christophory -

Town Attorney: William Schmitt: Nothing to Report

MEDIA TIME - NONE

LATE PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR EXECUTIVE SESSION - none

MOTION TO PAY BILLS

Sewer Fund bill #8 Councilperson Kolek moved and Councilperson Collins, seconded a motion and the motion was approved.

Highway Fund bills number 160-183 moved by Councilperson G. Sacco and Councilperson Kolek voted yes, and the motion was approved.

Councilperson Collins moved and Councilperson G. Sacco seconded a motion to pay General Fund bill number 285-313 Councilpersons G. Sacco and Councilperson P. Kolek voted yes, and the motion was approved.

ADJOURN : Councilperson P. Sacco made the motion and Councilperson Kolek Motion approved

Respectfully submitted,

Karen M. Day

Town Clerk

Town of Deerfield