

**Town of Candor
101 Owego Road
Candor, NY 13743
Regular Meeting of July 13, 2021**

The Regular Meeting of July 13, 2021 was called to order at 6:00 pm with review and approval of vouchers. At 7:00 pm the Board opened up with a prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: Supervisor Strosahl, Clm. Reichert, Clm. Douglas, and Clm. Brixey.

Others Present: Attorney Pelella and Deputy Clerk Irizarry.

Guest: Town Engineer Murray, Webmaster Malone, BOA Norma Gunn, PB Candy Ross and 5 Residents.

Privilege of the floor: Lee Haele updated the Board on the progress of the broadband and fiber optics. 206 out of 226 customers are covered which is 91 percent. There are 14 permits pending. Briggs Allen Rd and Dewey Rd waiting. Tallow Hill Rd not interested maybe can swap to the residents who do want service. Clm. Douglas thinks it's creating infrastructure for the future. Lee Haele thinks maybe funding is coming called RDO funds. Royal Digital Opportunity to get to 100 percent broadband. Strosahl says according to Assessor more poles on properties increase tax but Haele says no it went up. Haele looking for half of the agreement which is \$30,000. 2017 entered contract.

M-59 Clm. Douglass moved, seconded by Clm. Reichert to pay the \$30,000. Clm. Reichert verified all deadlines were met for the contract. Roll Call Vote: Reichert-aye, Douglass-aye, Strosahl-aye, Brixey-aye. Reichert asked for invoice to be sent for bookkeeper.

Privilege of the floor: T. Hansen from Tioga County Cooperative Extension in affiliation with Cornell will be purchasing Cass Hill Rd farm formerly called Schumacher Dairy, Suttmeier farm. 107 acres with a staff to keep land in agricultural production, use for nature education, large indoor event center, or community farming. Clm. Douglas questioned about working with the local schools. Hansen wants to connect with Candor school district for educational opportunities. FAQ given to Clm. Douglass. Plan to give young farmers the 3 year experience to own their farm using grants.

Privilege of the floor: Doug Kamine director from Tioga County IT spoke regarding the Shared Services Initiative and gave overview of what the shared services are and how it works. Drew is our contact for issues now. Reduces costs and service level increases. Server replacements phone systems removed from our expenditures and grant pays for it with some upfront cost. Clm. Douglass asks how to staff with all the increased municipalities. Answer was existing staff handles this. Rearranged staff to accommodate increase in workload. Williamson software will still be able to be used.

Resident asked Keven Noble Highway Superintendent 6 weeks ago about Dewey Rd to knock down the high spots. He's assessed like everyone else but nothing done for him by Candor. Clm. Brixey will talk to Noble about it. Did the work himself on seasonal area of Dewey Rd.

Resident Bob Keller has issue with Briggs Allen Rd. that has not been tended to in 10 years. Taxes haven't changed and never worked on. No trenching or cut trees and holes. Clm. Brixey will address this issue.

M-60 Clm. Douglas moved, seconded by Clm. Reichert to approve the Minutes of June 8, 2021 as presented. All in favor.

Budget transfer from the Contingency Account to three other accounts for new employees and EMS of \$4400.00. Court attendant \$1200.00, Webmaster \$300.00 and EMS \$2900.00.

M-61 Clm. Reichert moved, seconded by Clm. Brixey to approve the budget transfers. All in favor.

M-62 Clm. Douglas moved, seconded by Clm. Brixey to approve vouchers on Abstract 7 of 2021 as follows: General Fund Claim numbering 161-196 in the amount of \$42,462.95 and Highway Fund Claims numbering 96-109 in the amount of \$50,047.91. Roll call vote: Reichert-aye, Douglass-aye, Strosahl-aye, Brixey-aye.

Committee Reports

Assessor-Clm. Reichert has no report from Denise Spaulding.

Buildings and Grounds- Strosahl says the light is still not fixed and the tiles have been purchased. He also suggested asking the cleaning man to put them up since Kevin has been very busy. Clm. Reichert hasn't received quotes yet on the benches and picnic table.

Code Enforcement-Clm. Brixey reported Code Officer Jerzak brought in \$250.00 in permits for the month.

Justice-Supervisor Strosahl stated new Court Clerk Lynn doing well and doing classes in the future.

Cemeteries-no news

Highway- Clm. Brixey states Kevin will be out in approx. 2 weeks paving Reservoir Hill, Slate, and Brink roads.

Also working on the seasonal end of Newman Road. Town Engineer Murray touched base on the Red Flag of Vanderpool Rd. DOT inspection of bridge indicated steel beams in need of repair. Delta Engineering gave a total of \$9000.00 to do the work which includes the field work \$3000, documents \$4000 and engineering fee of \$2000. Full replacement of the bridge could be up to one million dollars.

M-63 Clm. Douglas moved, seconded by Clm. Brixey to approve the work on the bridge. Roll call vote: Reichert-aye, Douglas-aye, Strosahl-aye, Brixey-aye.

Dog Control & Kennel- Clm. Brixey states dog report shows 10 complaints and 1 bite.

Planning Board- Ed Evans Chairman on vacation.

Board of Appeals- Norma Gunn June and July no meeting.

Old Business

Clm. Douglas working on noncompatible word documents to merge Town Emergency Plan all together he will type it out.

New Business

Strosahl to set a Public Hearing to override the Tax Limit for EMS for the 2022 budget. Public Hearing to be next meeting August 10, 2021.

Strosahl states the NYS Cannabis Laws can be to sell, which in turn tax revenue increases. Berkshire and Spencer not selling now, no tax revenue. Dec 31 is deadline to opt out. Concern is our town has no businesses available to sell, maybe the outskirts of village.

Cemetery mowing contract wants to add mowing. 6 extra mowing's are \$175 each.

M-63 Clm. Reichert moved, seconded by Clm. Douglass to add the 6 extra mowings of the cemeteries. Roll Call Vote: Reichert-aye, Douglass-aye, Strosahl-aye, Brixey-aye.

Strosahl states appointment of Ed Evans to The Town Board has to wait until he resigns from his position on the Planning Board. August will be the date of appointment.

Curtis called about EMS and Strosahl will approve contract once tax is overridden in August for budget.

Resident Matt Crowe asked about right of ways and easements. Not getting a clear answer from anyone. Palmer will look into this.

M-64 Clm. Douglass moved, seconded by Clm. Reichert to adjourn the Regular Meeting of July 13, 2021 at 8:15 pm.

