TOWN OF GALWAY TOWN BOARD MEETING

April 13, 2021

Call to order - Supervisor Smith

Roll Call - Town Clerk DeFoe

Pledge to the flag - All

Approval of the minutes for the meeting held March 09, 2021

<u>Communications Received</u> – Town Clerk DeFoe

Reports of Committees:

Youth Commission Historian

Budget

Approval of Abstract Fund A
Approval of Abstract Fund B
Approval of Abstract Fund DA
Approval of Abstract Fund DB
Approval of Abstract Fund SL
Approval of Abstract Fund TT
Supervisor's ReportBudget Amendments-

Resolutions:

Other Business:

Update on the First Light Fiber conversion/Office 365 conversion
Purchase a Tablet for COE
Purchase Adobe Seats for Supervisor, Town Clerk, COE
Review Proposal on Senior Housing Study
Review proposal on new website
Review the Veteran Memorial at Town Hall
Discuss new Marijuana Law and the implications to zoning and code enforcement
Discuss holding Memorial Day Parade starting in village and ending at Town Park

Priviledge of the Floor:

<u>Adjourn</u>

REGULAR MEETING APRIL 13, 2021 GALWAY TOWN HALL

Supervisor Michael Smith called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m. The following Town Board Members were present:

PRESENT: Supervisor Michael Smith

Councilmember Fred Arnold

Councilmember JoAnne Peregrim-Grant

Councilmember J.D. Arnold

ABSENT:

Councilmember Ryan Flinton

OTHERS PRESENT: D. Sowle, Youth Chair; P. Keeler, Historian; D. Neahr, Deputy Historian; L. Feulner & M. DeFoe, Town Clerk.

Pledge to the Flag

A motion was made by Councilmember Fred Arnold, seconded by Councilmember J.D. Arnold to approve the minutes of the March 9, 2021 Regular Meeting as submitted.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

Communications – Town Clerk stated the following correspondence was received: Monthly notification from Charter Communication about upcoming changes; Assessor Report for April; Speed limit reduction request for Birchton Road; Training Webinar for Planning/ZBA given to their clerk to distribute; Notification from Congresswoman Stefanik of community projects available for submission; Signed agreement with Greater Galway Community Service Association & Town; Signed agreement with Saratoga County & Town regarding Nutrition/Transportation; Governmental Insurance Disclosure Statement for 2020 was filed by AMSURE; Notification from Town of Providence of Public Hearing to be held April 15, 2021 regarding the applicant Earth Development, LLC (Jordan May) for property locate at 128 Southline Road – renewal of Life of Mine & expansion to existing Aqua Fria sand and gravel mine on north side of Southline Road & Highway Report for March with schedule for April.

Reports of Committees — Phyllis Keeler, Historian stated it was so good to be home. She advised that she received many calls on Galway History while she was away. Phyllis received questions on Cummings Pond. She was asked to explain the yearly "Sanford Horse Walking". Phyllis stated that Sanford Farm was located in Amsterdam (Home of the famous steeplechase horses for Saratoga Springs Racing Season). Horses were walked/ridden from Amsterdam into Galway where they stopped for food, drink & rest before continuing on to Saratoga Race Track. A representative from the Kesselring Site contacted her for any information she could provide on what happened to the original farmers that were required to relocate do to the creation of the Kesselring Site. They only had a month to move out of their farms, many moved to Rock City Falls. Phyllis set up a phone interview between the Kesselring Representative and Dorothy Keeler to go over her recollection of what happened at that time. Phyllis has 12 phone interviews lined up

regarding local history. <u>Donna Sowle, Youth Chair</u> advised that karate continues using zoom; Jr. Riffle is on Wednesday night thru May 12th; Spring soccer will run May 15th thru June 19th for pre-K thru 6th grade; Family Fun Day will be held at Ball Field, they have a meeting tomorrow night to go over vendors; Summer Program not allowed at bus garage, so this will need to be done at Pavilion. Councilmember Fred Arnold stated that the school is using our field we should be allowed to use their facilities. Supervisor Michael Smith will talk to school regarding this and find out what their reasoning is for denial. Karen & Nyrelle both talked to Britta and they were told no for Summer Rec. Will also do summer reading program.

Councilmember Fred Arnold made a motion, seconded by Councilmember J.D. Arnold to approve the March 2021 General Abstract of Vouchers (A) for a total of \$24,258.24.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

Councilmember J.D. Arnold made a motion, seconded by Councilmember JoAnne Grant to approve the March 2021 General Abstract of Vouchers (B) for a total of \$6,516.44.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

Councilmember JoAnne Grant made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Fred Arnold to approve the March 2021 Highway Abstract of Vouchers (DA) for a total of \$49,009.38.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

Councilmember Fred Arnold made a motion, seconded by Councilmember J.D. Arnold to approve the March 2021 Highway Abstract of Vouchers (DB) for a total of \$3,161.88.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

Councilmember J.D. Arnold made a motion, seconded by Councilmember JoAnne Grant to approve the March 2021 Lighting District Abstract of Vouchers (SL) for a total of \$158.37.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

Councilmember Fred Arnold made a motion, seconded by Councilmember JoAnne Grant to approve the Supervisor's Operating Statement for the period ending 2/28/21 & 3/31/21.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

Supervisor Smith stated that they had a situation arise where expenses from 2020 got charged against the 2021 budget. He is working with Tammy & Ted from Williamson Law to correct this error.

RESOLUTION #: 21-2021 – Speed Limit Reduction Request for Birchton Road. On a motion of Councilmember Fred Arnold, seconded by Councilmember JoAnne Grant the following resolution was ADOPTED: AYES – 4 NAYS – 0 RESOLVED that the Galway Town Board authorize the Town Clerk to send a speed limit reduction request to the county for review by State of Birchton Road between Peaceable Street & Finley Road.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

RESOLUTION #: 22-2021 – Speed Limit Reduction Request for Perth Road. Liz Feulner stated that traffic speed is out of control would like to see one of those flashing speed devices set up that tells people the speed limit and how fast they are actually going. Supervisor will look into flashing speed device. On a motion of Councilmember Fred Arnold, seconded by Councilmember JoAnne Grant the following resolution was ADOPTED: AYES – 4

NAYS – 0

RESOLVED that the Galway Town Board authorize the Town Clerk to send a speed limit reduction request to the county for review by State of Perth Road between the intersection of Consaul Road/Lake Road & Crooked Street.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

Supervisor Michael Smith stated that StoredTech has ordered the updated equipment needed for Town Hall & Highway Department to be connected for the First Light Fiber Conversion. This should be installed and up and going in May. Office 365 conversion is completed and working great. Supervisor has authorized the purchase of a tablet for the Code Enforcement Officer. He has also advised StoredTech to purchase three Adobe Seats for Supervisor, Town Clerk & Code Enforcement Officer's Computers. Supervisor advised that Newsletter will be done in house and Adobe PDF will be a great help. Supervisor advised that he had to do Newsletter from his home computer because he had Adobe.

RESOLUTION #: 23-2021 — Authorizing Senior Housing Study. Supervisor Michael Smith stated he obtained a Grant from County for a feasibility study to be done of Town with reference to Senior Housing. On a motion of Councilmember Fred Arnold, seconded by Councilmember JoAnne Grant the following resolution was ADOPTED:

AYES – 4

NAYS – 0

RESOLVED that the Galway Town Board approve the proposal for professional services with reference to a Galway Senior Housing Study by MRB Group at no cost to Town; fee of \$7,100 to be paid by County Grant obtained by Supervisor.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

RESOLUTION #: 24-2021 — Approval of Website Redesign Proposal. Supervisor Smith stated that the COVID Pandemic showed us that our current website was not adequate to supply needed information to our community. We are at the point where we need an easier access and understanding of where the general public can obtain needed information. Each department will be responsible for keeping their section of site updated and accurate. Planning & Zoning Boards will also be able to put needed meeting information onto site. On a motion of Councilmember J.D. Arnold, seconded by Councilmember JoAnne Grant the following resolution was ADOPTED:

AYES — 4 NAYS — 0

RESOLVED that the Galway Town approve the Website Redesign Proposal of eVision Digital Marketing, LLC in the amount of \$4,700 to be charged to 1680.4 Computer CE.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

Supervisor went into discussion with Town Board and audience regarding Veterans Memorial to be located in circle at Town Hall. County Veterans Administration has given the Town a \$2,500 grant for creation of this project. Environmental Design Partnership's design of site will be covered by this grant. Darby has been working with a company that will do pamphlet, order sheet & website. Supervisor stated that account will need to be setup thru Town for these bricks to be ordered. Town Clerk stated she will have software company add the brick order to her program once account has been created. Town Clerk's monthly report would indicate amount to be transferred to Veterans account and amount to forward to company for brick order. Committee currently consists of Supervisor Smith; Phyllis Keeler; Liz Feulner; Darby Neahr; Brian Sherman & Dorothy Sherman. The additional funds received from brick orders will be used for Additional Monument; Memorial; upkeep and Veteran projects as determined by Committee.

Supervisor Smith stated that he forwarded information to Board Members on new Marijuana Law. Would like Town Board to review information received and be ready to address where Town goes with Law.

Supervisor has reached out to County Health Department with reference to ability to hold Memorial Day Parade. Will get back to everyone once he has an answer from them.

<u>Privilege of Floor</u> – Town Clerk questioned if we had name for Board of Assessment Review. Supervisor Smith stated Rod Wilday had not gotten back to him as of yet.

Councilwoman JoAnne Grant stated that she would like to see a left arrow added to light at top of Route 29/Route 147 Intersection. Traffic going west on Route 29 can easily sit thru an entire light before having a chance to turn left onto Route 147. Supervisor Smith will talk to Mary Beth Walsh about traffic light as she is currently having discussions with NYSDOT. He will also talk to Chad the County DPW Commissioner.

Councilmember Fred Arnold made a motion, seconded by Councilmember J.D. Arnold to adjourn the meeting at 8:09 p.m.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

Respectfully submitted,

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Margaret L. DeFoe

Town Clerk