

AGENDA

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TOWN OF GALWAY TOWN BOARD MEETING

January 12, 2021

Call to order – Supervisor Smith

Roll Call – Town Clerk DeFoe

Pledge to the flag – All

Approval of the minutes for the meeting held December 8, 2020

Approval of the minutes of the 2021 Organizational Meeting held January 6th

Communications Received – Town Clerk DeFoe

Reports of Committees:

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 Report- Not provided as end of year close out is in progress

Budget Amendments- 998.04 recycling

Resolutions:

Accept insurance proposal from Amsure for 2021.

Accept the appointment of Ronald Spraker as Deputy Highway Supt

Resolution for Senior Tax Assessment

Accept the 2021 billing rates from Environmental Design Partnership in support of the Town Operations

Other Business:

We received AIM money from NYS in amount of \$20,144

Request from Heather Tilson for Funding for the new Trap shooting team –partially funded from School may need additional funding????

Priviledge of the Floor:

Adjourn

REGULAR MEETING
 JANUARY 12, 2021
 GALWAY TOWN HALL

Supervisor Smith called the Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The following Town Board Members were present:

PRESENT: Supervisor Michael Smith Councilmember Fred Arnold
 Councilmember JoAnne Peregrin-Grant Councilmember Ryan Flinton
 Councilmember J.D. Arnold

OTHERS PRESENT: D. Sowle, Youth Chair; T. O'Brien, Dog Control Officer; T. Gilday, Code Enforcement & M. DeFoe, Town Clerk.

Pledge to the Flag

A motion was made by Councilmember Fred Arnold, seconded by Councilmember JoAnne Grant to approve the minutes of the December 8, 2020 Regular Meeting & the January 6, 2021 Organizational Meeting as submitted.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

Communications – Town Clerk stated that resolutions would be needed for the following: Councilman J.D. Arnold's Standard Work Day Reporting for NYSLRS; Audit of Justice David Devall's Books for 2019; One Budget Amendment; Appointment of Ronald Spraker as Deputy Highway Superintendent; Assessor's Office resolution regarding Senior & Disabled Tax Exemptions; EDP's billing rates for 2021; Rescind Resolution's 36 & 56 of 2020 & Accept insurance proposal from AMSURE for 2021. Other Correspondence Received: Executed copy of contract between County & Town with reference to Galway Recreation Program; Executed copy of contract between County & Town with reference to Galway Youth Referral Services; Petition from Residents of Galway regarding their request to deny Solar Farm Application, which was forwarded to Planning Board; Association of Towns virtual training school will be held February 14-17, 2021; Numerous correspondence from Charter Communications regarding changes in channels & servicing; Saratoga County Planning Department notification that Galway received the 2020 Saratoga County Trails grant award in the amount of \$7,000 to re-surface access & parking area for Galway Preserve trailhead & to create an access & parking area for Glowegee Trail South's trailhead; Notification sent to Town of Milton from US Department of Energy Naval Reactors Laboratory regarding invoice for payment in lieu of taxes & to certify that the Town of Milton has authority to act as lead agent for collecting money for various municipalities that participate in PILOT with US Department of Energy at the Kesselring Site. Board members also received the Assessor's Report for January 2021 and the Dog Control Officer's Report for the month of December.

COMMITTEE/LIAISON/DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS: Youth Commission
 – Donna Sowle, Youth Commission Chair gave a recap of Youth Commission activity for 2020. Karate & Rifle continue with social distancing. Ski tickets are available at Town

Hall, Town Clerk advised that she has given 27 out to date. Donna stated that they got 45 tickets can get more if needed. Working on County Reports for funding & compiling information for billing out of Town's for youth participation in our programs.

Councilmember Fred Arnold made a motion, seconded by Councilmember J.D. Arnold to approve the December 2020 General Abstract of Vouchers (A) for a total of \$18,037.87.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

Supervisor Michael Smith stated that new furnace was needed in Historian's Office.

Councilmember J.D. Arnold made a motion, seconded by Councilmember JoAnne Grant to approve the December 2020 General Abstract of Vouchers (B) for a total of \$2,304.02

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

Councilmember JoAnne Grant made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Ryan Flinton to approve the December 2020 Highway Abstract of Vouchers (DA) for a total of \$170,467.01.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

Supervisor Michael Smith stated large portion of abstract was salt and also first payment on new truck.

Councilmember Ryan Flinton made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Fred Arnold to approve the December 2020 Highway Abstract of Vouchers (DB) for a total of \$3,982.56.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

Councilmember Fred Arnold made a motion, seconded by Councilmember J.D. Arnold to approve the December 2020 Special Lighting District Abstract of Vouchers (SL) for a total of \$166.04.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

Councilmember J.D. Arnold made a motion, seconded by Councilmember JoAnne Grant to approve the December 2020 Tri-Town Abstract of Vouchers (TT) for a total of \$101.55.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

Councilmember JoAnne Grant made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Ryan Flinton to approve the January 2021 General Fund Abstract of Vouchers (A) for a total of \$34,672.37.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

Councilmember Ryan Flinton made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Fred Arnold to approve the January 2021 General Abstract of Vouchers (B) for a total of \$3,362.05.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

Councilmember Fred Arnold made a motion, seconded by Councilmember J.D. Arnold to approve the January 2021 Highway Abstract of Vouchers (DA) for a total of \$37,620.80.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

Councilmember J.D. Arnold made a motion, seconded by Councilmember JoAnne Grant to approve the January 2021 Highway Abstract of Vouchers (DB) for a total of \$29,224.20.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

Councilmember JoAnne Grant made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Ryan Flinton to approve the January 2021 Tri-Town Abstract of Vouchers (TT) for a total of \$439.24.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

Supervisor Michael Smith stated there is no Supervisor's Report as books need to be closed for 2020.

RESOLUTION #: 2-2021 – Budget Amendments. On a motion of Councilmember Ryan Flinton, seconded by Councilmember Fred Arnold the following resolution was ADOPTED:

AYES – 5 NAYS – 0

RESOLVED that the Galway Town Board authorize the following Budget Amendment:

Decrease	DA2770	Other Unclassified Revenue	\$998.04
Increase	DA5130.4	Machinery	\$998.04

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

RESOLUTION #: 3-2021 – Authorization to approve insurance package. On a motion of Councilmember J.D. Arnold, seconded by Councilmember Ryan Flinton the following resolution was ADOPTED BY ROLL CALL VOTE:

Supervisor Michael Smith – AYE

Councilmember Fred Arnold – AYE

Councilmember JoAnne Grant – AYE

Councilmember Ryan Flinton – AYE

Councilmember J.D. Arnold – AYE

RESOLVED that the Galway Town Board approve the insurance package provided by Amsure Insurance with New York Municipal Insurance Reciprocal in an amount not to exceed \$36,164.29.

5 - AYES 0 - NAYS

MOTION CARRIED

New truck is not included in this premium.

RESOLUTION #: 4-2020 – Accept Appointment of Ronald Spraker as Deputy Highway Superintendent effective 1/1/21. On a motion of Councilmember Ryan Flinton, seconded by Councilmember JoAnne Grant the following resolution was ADOPTED:

AYES – 5 NAYS – 0

RESOLVED that the Galway Town Board accept the appointment of Ronald Spraker as Deputy Highway Superintendent for 2021 with an effective date of 1/1/21.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

RESOLUTION #5 -2021 – A Resolution Regarding Senior and Disabled Tax Exemptions. On a motion of Councilmember Fred Arnold, seconded by Councilmember J.D. Arnold the following resolution was ADOPTED BY ROLL CALL VOTE:

Supervisor Michael Smith – AYE

Councilmember Fred Arnold - AYE

Councilmember JoAnne Grant – AYE
Councilmember J.D. Arnold - AYE

Councilmember Ryan Flinton - AYE

**TOWN OF GALWAY
2021 RESOLUTION NO. 5**

A Resolution Regarding Senior and Disabled Tax Exemptions

WHEREAS, the State of New York has recently amended the Real Property Tax Law to require Town Assessors to carry-over Senior Citizens and Disabled Homeowners tax exemptions from the 2020 assessment roll to the 2021 assessment roll at the same levels without requiring renewal applications for the exemption; and

WHEREAS, the State amendment also requires localities to provide electronic renewal applications to individuals who may be entitled to larger exemptions in 2021 than in 2020 and also allows Assessors to require renewal applications from those no longer believed to be eligible for the exemption.

Now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Town of Galway adopts the changes made to New York Real Property Tax Law sections 467 and 459-c on December 24, 2020 and hereby allows the Town Assessor to carry-over the Senior Citizens and Disabled Homeowners tax exemptions from the 2020 assessment roll to the 2021 assessment roll at the same levels; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Assessor be required to provide electronic renewal applications to individuals who may be entitled to larger exemptions in 2021 than in 2020 and also that the Assessor may require renewal applications from those no longer believed to be eligible for the exemption including the change of primary residences, the adding of another owner to deed or transferring of property to a new owner or in the case of the senior being deceased.

5 -AYES 0 -NAYS

MOTION CARRIED

RESOLUTION #: 6-2021 – Accept billing rated from EDP for Engineering Services. Supervisor Michael Smith stated that the billing rates with EDP have not changed for many years. On a motion of Councilmember Fred Arnold, seconded by Councilmember J.D. Arnold the following resolution was ADOPTED: AYES- 5 NAYS – 0

RESOLVED that the Galway Town Board accept the 2021 billing rate from EDP of \$175 per hour for private applicants escrow & \$100 per hour for work where the Town will be paying costs directly.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

RESOLUTION #: 7-2021 – Rescind Resolution #: 36 & 56 of 2020. Supervisor Michael Smith stated that due to a decrease in funding of Pave NY/Winter Recovery/CHIPS by NYS for 2020 we anticipated more revenue in our 2020 budget that what was actually received. On a motion of Councilmember Fred Arnold, seconded by Councilmember JoAnne Grant the following resolution was ADOPTED: AYES – 5

NAYS – 0

RESOLVED that the Galway Town Board rescind Resolution's 36 & 56 of 2020.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

RESOLUTION #: 8-2021 – Standard Work Day for Councilmember J.D. Arnold. On a motion of Councilmember Ryan Flinton, seconded by Councilmember Fred Arnold the following resolution was ADOPTED BY ROLL CALL VOTE:

Supervisor Michael Smith – AYE

Councilmember Fred Arnold – AYE

Councilmember JoAnne Grant – AYE

Councilmember Ryan Flinton – AYE

Councilmember J.D. Arnold – AYE

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Galway/Location Code 20776 hereby establishes the following as a standard work day for elected and appointed officials and will report this based on the time keeping system records or the records of activities maintained and submitted by those officials to the Clerk of this body.

5- AYES

0-NAYS

MOTION CARRIED

RESOLUTION #: 9-2021 – Accept 2019 Audit of Justice David Devall's Books. Town Clerk stated that she went back to January and check the minutes each month and Justice Devall's audit was never accepted. On a motion of Councilmember J.D. Arnold, seconded by Councilmember Ryan Flinton the following resolution was ADOPTED:

AYES – 5 NAYS – 0

RESOLVED that the Galway Town Board accept the 2019 Audit of Justice David Devall's books as submitted.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

Other Business – Supervisor Michael Smith stated that AIM funding was received from NYS in the amount of \$20,144.

Supervisor Michael Smith stated he sent letter to Fire Department stating that he was extending contract for another year figure to be raised by taxes for 2021 was \$267,240 with an additional \$13,362 from fund balance that can be paid now if they need funding immediately.

Request was received from Heather Tillson for funding of a new Trap Shooting Team. She advised that they were going to receive partial funding from School and may need additional funding. Supervisor Smith has discussed this with school and it appears they will be getting full funding from school. This is not thru our youth program; it is a separate school funded program. Supervisor will keep Board informed with outcome of their funding thru school.

Supervisor Smith had a conference call with the Solar Developer that is before Planning Board along with Attorney Jim Trainor. The proposed project is estimated at about six million, which would be approximately \$120,000 in taxes between school/town/county. They requested a "Pilot Program" for \$17,500 per year to be divided between school/town/county. Supervisor Smith told them no. Town Board went into discussion and felt that there was no economic development that would be helping our Town. They would be bringing their own crew in to do project and then someone would be on call as needed. Town Board felt there was nothing they were bring to table for our Town. County informed Supervisor that they would never enter into a Pilot for that. Councilmember Fred Arnold stated maybe they could supply power to the school. The

overall consensus of discussion was they were ultimately doing nothing for Town be it financially or economically.

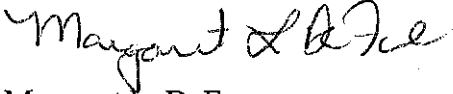
Privilege of the Floor – None.

On a motion of Councilmember Fred Arnold, seconded by Councilmember Ryan Flinton the meeting was adjourned at 7:48 p.m.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

Respectfully submitted,



Margaret L. DeFoe
Town Clerk

Employer Location Code

367776

SEE INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING FORM ON REVERSE SIDE

RS 2417-A

(Rev. 11/19)

Received Date

Standard Work Day and Reporting Resolution for Elected and Appointed Officials

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town of Galway / 2020 hereby established the following standard work days for these titles and will

report the officials to the New York State and Local Retirement based on their record of activities:

Elected Officials		Appointed Officials							
Name	Social Security Number	NYS SLRS ID	Title	Current Term Begin & End Dates	Standard Work Day	Record of Activities Result	Not Submitted	Pay Frequency	Tier 1
<u>James Arnold Jr</u>			<u>Council Member</u>	<u>1-20-2023</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>1.7</u>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<u>Bimly</u>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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I, Margaret L. DeFoe secretary/clerk of the governing board of the Town of Galway of the State of New York, do hereby certify that I have compared the foregoing with the original resolution passed by such board at a legally convened meeting held on the 12th day of Jan., 20 21 on file as part of the minutes of such meeting; and that same is a true copy thereof and the whole of such original.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and the seal of the Town of Galway on this 12th day of Jan, 20 21.

Affidavit of Posting: I, Margaret L. DeFoe being duly sworn, deposes and says that the posting of the Resolution began on 1/13/21 and continued for at least 30 days. That the Resolution was available to the public on the: 1/13/21 (Date)

Employer's website at: townofgalwayny.org
 Official sign board at: 5910 Sacandaga Road, Galway, NY 12074
 Main entrance Secretary or Clerk's office at: 5910 Sacandaga Rd. Galway, NY Page 1 of 1 (for additional rows attach a RS 2417-A form)

