

**TOWN OF GALWAY
TOWN BOARD MEETING**

June 11, 2019

Call to order – Supervisor Smith

Roll Call – Town Clerk DeFoe

Pledge to the flag – All

Approval of the minutes for the meeting held May 14, 2019

Communications Received – Town Clerk DeFoe

Reports of Committees

Reports of Department Heads

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

Supervisor's Report

Budget Amendments

Resolutions

Resolutions for accounting purposes

Resolution for the Trail Grant program

Resolution to reappoint Lizzy Fuelner for the Office of the Aging

Resolution of Book Keeper Audit.

Resolution to Reappoint Win McIntyre to the Planning Board

Other Business

Town Newsletter info must be submitted by tomorrow.

Family fun day on Saturday

Economic Forum Survey will be in the Town Newsletter.

June 26th is Year of the Senior Celebration

June 18th Honoring Our Deceased Veteran Program—James "Mike" Claypool
Projector and Screen for the Meeting Room.

Privilege of the Floor

Adjourn

REGULAR MEETING
 JUNE 11, 2019
 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 Councilman Fred Arnold
 Councilman Rod Wilday Councilwoman JoAnne Peregrim-Grant
 Councilman Ryan Flinton

OTHERS PRESENT: D. Sowle, Youth Commission Chair.; T. O'Brien, Dog Control Officer; C. Ciembroniewicz, Code Enforcement; B. Jones; M. Trabka, Representative for Saratoga Plan & M. DeFoe, Town Clerk.

Pledge to the Flag

A motion was made by Councilman Arnold seconded by Councilman Flinton to approve the minutes of the May 14, 2019 Regular Meeting as submitted.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

Communications – Town Clerk stated that Board Members received copies of the following correspondence: Building Department Report dated 6/11/19; Assessor Report for June; Highway Department Report for April with schedule for May; AMSURE Insurance adjustments were received, Town Clerk gave copy to Highway Superintendent to have him verify information; Notification was received from the American Red Cross advising of a critical shortage of type O blood; Thank you letters were received from 6th Grade Teachers & Garden Club for Town Clerks work with 6th Grade Students & NYS DEC notification of mining permit approval for Larned Mine Site expiration date 1/2/24.

COMMITTEE/DEPARTMENT HEADS/LIAISON REPORTS: **ZBA** – No Meeting.
Planning Board – Councilman Flinton stated that there were three applications before the Planning Board. One of which required approval by both the Planning & ZBA which both boards worked thru well. **Youth Commission** – Donna Sowle, Youth Commission Chair stated that Recreational Soccer would be finishing up this Saturday, they had just under 100 children participate; Family Fun Day will be held here at Town Hall on Saturday from 1-4 p.m. rain or shine. There are many activities all free to the community; All the Town Emergency groups along with Haganan Smoke House will be attending Family Fun Day; \$500 donation was received from Village of Galway & donation would also be coming from Town of Providence for Family Fun Day; Town will be supplying two port-a-potty's for this event; Summer Recreation will take place at the Bus Garage this summer from July 8th thru August 2nd; Free learn to swim program will begin in July with two sessions 7/8-7/19 & 7/22-8/2/19 taking 25 children for each session.

REGULAR MEETING, GALWAY TOWN BOARD, JUNE 11, 2019

Councilman Arnold made a motion, seconded by Councilman Wilday to approve the May 2019 General Abstract of Vouchers (A) for a total of \$10,784.19.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

Councilman Wilday made a motion, seconded by Councilwoman Grant to approve the May 2019 General Abstract of Vouchers (B) for a total of \$10,172.63.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

Councilwoman Grant made a motion, seconded by Councilman Flinton to approve the May 2019 Highway Abstract of Vouchers (DA) for a total of \$68,110.78.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

Councilman Flinton made a motion, seconded by Councilman Arnold to approve the May 2019 Highway Abstract of Vouchers (DB) for a total of \$10,520.53.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

Councilman Arnold made a motion, seconded by Councilman Wilday to approve the May 2019 Special District Abstract of Vouchers (SL) for a total of \$99.04.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

Supervisor Smith was pleased to say sales tax continues to increase. County will be giving Town's a sum of money based on landfill revenues, Supervisor anticipates we may receive between \$35,000 & \$45,000 which will be of great help with budget. Town seems to be where we should be percentage wise with budget. Bookkeeper Audit went great, everything seems to be working smoothly now with new program. Supervisor feels that Tammy is doing a great job as audit verifies. Councilman Arnold made a motion, seconded by Councilman Flinton to approve the Supervisor's Operating Statement for the period ending 5/31/19.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

RESOLUTION #: 23-2019 – Budget Amendments. On a motion of Councilman Arnold, seconded by Councilman Wilday the following resolution was ADOPTED:
 AYES – 5 NAYS – 0

RESOLVED that the Galway Town Board approve the following Budget Amendments:

Decrease	B2705	Gifts & Donations	\$ 3,000.00
Increase	B6772.4	Aging Recreation	\$ 3,000.00
Decrease	DA2680	Insurance Recoveries	\$ 7,099.01
Increase	DA5130.4	Machinery	\$ 7,099.01

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

Maria Trabka representative from Saratoga Plan went over the proposed connection of trail involving Milton parcel, Rhodes parcel and easement of Carpenter. Maria went over trail development items, proposed kiosks at each trail site; parking; trail markers an etc. Before she went on to the second project she asked for questions. **Town Clerk**

questioned total acreage involved with this project. **Maria** stated approximately 157 acres are involved in this one project. **Tom O'Brien** questioned what the property status was or these three parcels, are they still on tax roll. **Maria** stated that the Carpenter parcel was a conservation easement so that would remain on tax roll. The other two parcels have been applied for tax exempt status. The second project would be on Barkersville Road & Silox Road 168 acres of which Galway has 150 acres and Providence has 18 acres. This grant would be applied for by Saratoga Plan, Providence & Galway. This would be another conservation easement. **Councilman Flinton** questioned if parking areas were going to be maintained during the winter season. **Maria** stated that they do not have anyone that has volunteered to plow these parking areas. **Councilman Flinton** voiced his concern with winter activity and danger of people parking on road especially by Milton site on Ballston Galway Road.

RESOLUTION #: 24-2019 – Partner with Saratoga Plan on trail projects for grant applications with Saratoga County. On a motion of Councilwoman Grant, seconded by Councilman Flinton the following resolution was ADOPTED: AYES – 5 NAYS – 0

WHEREAS, the Town of Galway adopted a comprehensive plan in 2002 which states the intention to “Develop a linked open space and trail system throughout Galway that allows access to all users while minimizing impacts to the environment” and “Explore the development of hiking, bicycle trails, cross-country skiing, and open space in Galway.”

WHEREAS, Saratoga PLAN, a not-for-profit land trust and planning organization exists to assist landowners and communities with achieving their conservation goals for protecting farmland, wildlife habitats, scenic views, water and other natural resources, and providing public access trails for outdoor recreation and education in Saratoga County;

WHEREAS, Saratoga PLAN has conserved several properties within the Town of Galway, including a 156-acre swath of contiguous property extending from Old Mill Road to County Route 45, encompassing three properties (a conservation easement on the Donald Carpenter Farm, and fee title acquisition of two tracts donated by Harold (Dusty) and Arlene Rhodes and Maryanna Milton), a 49-acre preserve on Crane Road, and is working on a conservation easement of a 168-acre tract located in Galway and partially in Providence in the Barkersville area;

WHEREAS, the lands are scenic and with suitable terrain for public hiking, cross country skiing, dog-walking, and snowshoeing;

WHEREAS, spending time in nature has been shown to have physical, mental and spiritual benefits and to contribute to the economic prosperity and wellbeing of communities;

WHEREAS, the Town of Galway wishes to partner with Saratoga PLAN and the Town of Providence to create or improve public trails across these conserved lands for the benefit and enjoyment of town residents and visitors;

WHEREAS, several volunteer groups are willing to assist with developing trails on these properties;

WHEREAS, Saratoga County has established a Trails Grant Program to assist communities with planning and developing public trails;

WHEREAS, funding is needed to develop trails across these properties, including

bridges, entry signs, boundary signs, trail markers, “bog bridges” over wet spots, parking areas, and informational orientation kiosks at trailheads;

THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Town of Galway will partner with Saratoga PLAN, the Town of Providence (for the Barkersville site only), and the volunteer groups on the development of two trails for public access and benefit. The Town of Galway will submit two applications prepared by Saratoga PLAN to the Saratoga County Trails Grant Program for funding to develop the trails, and, if awarded funding, administer the grants for the projects by contracting with Saratoga PLAN which will manage the projects. Grant funding is to be utilized for materials and supplies, equipment, contractors, refreshments for volunteers, and project management. The Town Highway Department may provide assistance such as transporting materials, provided its assistance is minimal, with the trail projects. Saratoga PLAN will be responsible for ensuring that the match is met. The maximum amount for the Barkersville grant application will be \$20,000 and the maximum amount for the Carpenter-Rhodes-Milton grant application will be \$10,000.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

RESOLUTION #: 25-2019 – Appointment of Liz Feulner to the Aging Advisory Board. On a motion of Councilman Flinton, seconded by Councilwoman Grant the following resolution was ADOPTED: AYES – 5 NAYS – 0

RESOLVED that the Galway Town Board appoint Liz Feulner to the Aging Advisory Board at Saratoga County, term 6/11/19 thru 12/31/19.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

RESOLUTION #: 26-2019 – Accept Audit of General Recordkeeping of Town. On a motion of Councilman Wilday, seconded by Councilman Flinton the following resolution was ADOPTED: AYES – 5 NAYS – 0

RESOLVED that the Galway Town Board accept the audit findings for the Chief Fiscal Officers Recordkeeping as conducted by Councilwoman Grant & Councilman Arnold.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

RESOLUTION #: 27-2019 – Reappoint Win McIntyre to Planning Board. On a motion of Councilman Arnold, seconded by Councilman Wilday the following resolution was ADOPTED: AYES – 5 NAYS – 0

RESOLVED that the Galway Town Board reappoint Win McIntyre to the Planning Board with a term to expire 7/1/24.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

Other Business

Newsletter articles are due tomorrow. Family Fun Day is on Saturday. Economic Forum Survey will be in this issue of newsletter. June 26th Year of the Seniors Celebration in Saratoga. June 18th the County will be Honoring Galway Deceased Veteran James “Mike” Claypool at 2:30 p.m. At the request of the Seniors we have purchased a drop-down screen and projector. Assessor just notified Supervisor today that Reval project was approved 100% at 100% thru State of New York.

RESOLUTION #: 28-2019 - Change in meeting date for July. Town Clerk is going on vacation in July she requested that meeting date be changed. On a motion of Councilman Arnold, seconded by Councilman Flinton the following resolution was ADOPTED:

AYES – 5 NAYS – 0

RESOLVED that the Galway Town Board authorize the change in meeting date for the July Meeting of the Galway Town Board from July 9, 2019 to July 16, 2019 meeting to begin at 7:00 p.m.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

Supervisor Smith advised Board that the City of Saratoga has participated in a Community Development Block Grant whereas they have received between \$300,000-\$400,000. They would be willing to give up this grant if the County steps up and creates a grant process at County level. Resolution will be required from each Town to create this type of grant program at a County level. If approved this may lead to 1.5 million in grant funding available to Townships in Saratoga County. Supervisor Smith questioned if Senior Housing would fall under this grant and he was advised that it would. Supervisor will keep Town Board advised on status of proposal.

Privilege of the Floor – None.

Councilman Arnold made a motion, seconded by Councilman Wilday to adjourn the meeting to Executive Session at 7:40 p.m. to discuss the employment history of a particular employee.

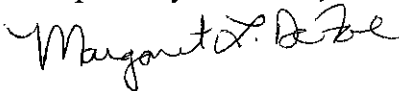
All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

The Town Board returned to Regular Session at 8:15 p.m., Supervisor Smith advised that no action was taken by Town Board during Executive Session.

Councilman Arnold made a motion, seconded by Councilwoman Grant to adjourn the meeting at 8:16 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Margaret L. DeFoe
Town Clerk