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**TEMPORARY ORDER  
LIMITING ROADS TO  
4 TON ON  
TOWN OF GALWAY  
ROADS**

NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to Subdivision 11 of Section 1660 of the Vehicle & Traffic Law, the Town Board of the Town of Galway hereby directs and orders that all Town roads will be temporarily closed to any and all vehicles having a gross weight of over four (4) tons, effective immediately.

Such exclusions shall take effect upon the erection of signs on the section of highway from which such vehicles are excluded and continue until such time as conditions will permit opening.

Further notice is hereby given that any person or persons violating this order shall be subject to punishment as provided in Section 1800 of the Vehicle & Traffic law.

By order of the Town Board Dated: March 9, 2022

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***TOWN OF GALWAY  
TOWN BOARD MEETING***

**March 8, 2022**

Call to order – Supervisor Smith

Roll Call – Town Clerk Defoe

Pledge to the flag – All

Approval of the minutes for the meeting held February 08, 2022

Communications Received – 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

Supervisor's Report-  
Budget Amendments

Resolutions:

Post Town roads to a 4 T from now til

Highway Expenditures

Judge Audits

Other Business:

Discuss the Town History info with FB (maybe Sharon)

Discuss Tri Town Pit

Approve the Audits for the Town Court.

Priviledge of the Floor:

Adjourn

REGULAR MEETING  
 MARCH 8, 2022  
 GALWAY TOWN HALL

Supervisor Michael 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 Peregrim-Grant         Councilmember Ryan Flinton  
              Councilmember J.D. Arnold

OTHERS PRESENT: D. Knizek-Neahr, Deputy Historian; T. Gilday, Code Enforcement;  
 T. O'Brien, Dog Control; A. McPherson; R. DeRidder; D. Anderson & 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 February 8, 2022 Regular Meeting as submitted.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

Dave Anderson of Spring Road stated that he had requested a speed limit reduction on Spring Road last year. The speed limit was 45 mph and he felt it needed to go to 30-35 mph. State reviewed road and determined that speed limit should be reduced to 40 mph. He thanked the Board for this, but would like to see it revisited at another date for further reduction. He stated that at that time he had requested that the Town Board thank the Highway Department for the work that they did on paving; cutting roadside brush; plowing and general maintenance on Spring Road. Highway Department advised him that they had not gotten any feedback on this. Town Clerk advised that his thanks was indicated in minutes at that time. Supervisor Michael Smith will let Highway Department know that Mr. Anderson was in thanking them for their work on his road. Supervisor Michael Smith advised him of the issues the Town has with getting speed limit reductions. He went over current issues the Town had with Crooked Street and getting the Stated to reduce speed to 45 mph. This was a more densely populated road than Spring Road with the addition of bad curves. The Stated just now after years of requests and additional prodding by the Town Supervisor got State to reduce speed to 45 mph. Dave questioned if there would be a Memorial Day Parade this year, he would like to help out. Supervisor Smith took his phone number. Will also talk to him privately regarding American Legion.

Communications – Town Clerk stated the following correspondence was received: Assessor Report for March; Information from Saratoga County Treasurer regarding monies paid to Town by Saratoga County in 2021 regarding sales tax distributions, semi-annual mortgage tax distributions & animal shelter distributions.; 2021 Audits of both Justices; Dog Control Officer's Report for January & February; Correspondence from Saratoga County Planning Department regarding required 8-year review of Saratoga

County Consolidated Agricultural District #2; Highway Maintenance Report for January with schedule for February, Highway Maintenance Report for February with schedule for March also need to have Town Board do Resolution for Agreement for the Expenditure of Highway Money & posting of roads for the 4-ton wight limit. Town Clerk stated that Supervisor may want to go over letter from State regarding approval of speed limit reduction on Crooked Street.

**COMMITTEE/DEPARTMENT HEADS/LIAISON REPORTS: Historian – Darby Knizek-Neahr, Deputy Historian** advised that yesterday was the 230<sup>th</sup> Birthday of Galway. Darby gave an overview of how the Town came to be called Galway. Darby discussed the 10 families that came from Scotland that formed Galway. Scotch Street which is now Sacandaga Road was the first road cleared in the Town. One of the 1<sup>st</sup> families to settle here were William & Helen Kelly they had the first birth in Galway, their daughter Elizabeth on November 1, 1774. The first death was James Major on September 11, 1779. John McClelland was the first Supervisor from 1792-1795, he then went on to the State Assembly. Supervisor Smith stated in honor of the 230 Anniversary of the Galway Sharon & Colleen reached out to local businesses asking them to create a special for \$17.92 for the week. There were eight local businesses that participated. Supervisor Smith thanked Sharon & Colleen for their work on project along with Darby's research on the history side. Councilmember Ryan Flinton stated that radio station had information about this. Supervisor Smith stated that new channel 10 and several newspapers also addressed coverage of 230<sup>th</sup> Birthday. Press release was sent out regarding this. Supervisor Smith stated that "Restoration Road" did a show where they interviewed Phyllis Keeler and Eva Hoffman a few years back regarding the barn located on Eva's property. The barn was taken down and reconstructed in Vermont.

Councilmember Fred Arnold made a motion, seconded by Councilmember JoAnne Grant to approve the February 2022 General Abstract of Vouchers (A) for a total of \$61,869.31.  
All ayes. MOTION CARRIED

Councilmember JoAnne Grant made a motion, seconded by Councilmember J.D. Arnold to approve the February 2022 General Abstract of Vouchers (B) for a total of \$4,403.16.  
All ayes. MOTION CARRIED

Councilmember J.D. Arnold made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Ryan Flinton to approve the February 2022 Highway Abstract of Vouchers (DA) for a total of \$69,590.45.  
All ayes. MOTION CARRIED

Councilmember Ryan Flinton made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Fred Arnold to approve the February 2022 Highway Abstract of Vouchers (DB) for a total of \$705.92.  
All ayes. MOTION CARRIED

Councilmember Fred Arnold made a motion, seconded by Councilmember JoAnne Grant to approve the February 2022 Lighting District Abstract of Vouchers (SL) for a total of \$242.24.  
All ayes. MOTION CARRIED

Supervisor Michael Smith stated there was no Supervisor's Report tonight, Tammy is working on the 2021 close. There are no budget amendments.

**RESOLUTION #: 9-2022** – Authorization for Carol Golden to do Town's yearly AUD. Supervisor Smith advised that he had been talking with other Supervisor's regarding their process for completing yearly AUD. The Supervisor from Charlton suggested Carol as she specializes in small local town on completing their AUD. 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 hire Carol Golden to complete the yearly AUD for 2021 in an amount not to exceed \$2,900 to be charged to A1320.4 Audit/Accounting

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

**RESOLUTION #: 10-2022** – Posting of Roads to seasonal weight limits. On a motion of Councilmember Fred Arnold, seconded by Councilmember Ryan Flinton the following resolution was ADOPTED: AYES – 5 NAYS – 0

RESOLVED that the Galway Town Board authorize that effective immediately, all Town roads are subject to temporary closure to all vehicles with a gross weight in excess of four (4) tons. Such closure shall take effect upon the erection of signs by the Highway Superintendent on the section of highway for which such traffic is excluded and continues until such time as conditions shall permit opening. Further notice is hereby given that any person or persons violating this order shall be subject to punishment as provided in Section 1800 of the Vehicle & Traffic Law. Town Clerk will submit Legal Notice, Temporary Order Limiting Roads to 4 Ton on Town of Galway Roads, to the Daily Gazette for immediate release.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

**RESOLUTION #: 11-2022** – Authorization for Expenditure of Highway Moneys. On a motion of Councilmember JoAnne Grant, 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 Ryan Flinton – AYE  
Councilmember J.D. Arnold - AYE

RESOLVED that the Galway Town Board Approve the 2022 Highway Agreement for Expenditure of Highway Money in the amount of \$365,500.00 to be set aside for the expenditure of primary work and general repairs upon 57.77 miles of Town of Galway Highways.

AYES – 5 NAYS – 0

MOTION CARRIED

**RESOLUTION #: 12-2022** – Accept 2021 Audit of Justice David DeVall & Justice Alison Thomas-Oravsky's Books. Supervisor Smith advised that he went over Audit finding with Justice DeVall and had email communication with Justice Thomas-Oravsky regarding Audit findings with her books. On a motion of Councilmember J.D. Arnold, seconded by Councilmember Fred Arnold the following resolution was ADOPTED: AYES – 5 NAYS – 0

RESOLVED that the Galway Town Board accept the 2021 Audit of Justice David

DeVall & Justice Alison Thomas-Oravsky's books as submitted.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

Other Business – Supervisor Smith suggested that everyone check in on the Town Facebook page, lots of interesting information.

Supervisor Michael Smith stated for the record that he would be stepping back from anything having to do with Tri Town Pit. He stated that he has not been included on any activity taking place at Pit, not comfortable with being the signatory on checkbook. He stated that he has asked Highway Superintendent Costanzo to have discussions with him regarding activity, but has had none. Supervisor Smith has requested that the Town Clerk review minutes to see what protocol/procedures if any were implemented when this was set up. Councilmember Ryan Flinton questioned what the three towns were that participated in the Tri-Town. Supervisor Smith stated Galway, Providence & Milton. Councilmember Ryan Flinton questioned if it was managed by the three Highway Superintendents. Supervisor Smith stated that maybe that was how it was set up, not sure. A \$2,000 voucher was submitted for payment, Supervisor Smith was not comfortable with signing check without discussion.

Supervisor Smith stated he would like to request from everyone a house keeping item. He doesn't feel this requires a resolution just stating any item needed to be on agenda for either payment or action to be taken must be received by the Supervisor or Town Clerk by noon on meeting day.

Calderwood Training Solutions came in last week and did yearly sexual harassment & workplace violence training along with 1<sup>st</sup> Aide & CPR Training. Supervisor would like to look into getting an AED Machine for Town Hall & Highway Department if they don't have one. Looked into this before COVID, will check in with Mike at Ambulance Corp to see how we move forward. Councilmember Ryan Flinton questioned if both facilities would need to be trained on AED. Supervisor Smith stated we were trained, machine basically talks you thru process. Town Clerk felt Calderwood Training was the best we had received to date; he did a great job!

Trevor Gilday, Code Enforcement Officer stated that he would like to implement the 1<sup>st</sup> part of a 2-part proposal for 911 reflective numbering in Town. Initially this will address any building permit going forward, 911 signs will be given to people before they get the CO. Estimating cost to be between \$25-\$30 per sign. He went into lengthy discussion regarding how Board wanted fee to be addressed. Board felt that this should be an additional charge attached to building permit. Once Trevor gets an exact cost from Adirondack Signs he will incorporate into application as additional charge. Councilmember Ryan Flinton question if he had talked with AJ Signs, Trevor stated he was looking at Adirondack because he drives by them every day. Design options are a two-sided vertical sign 6" x 24" to be mounted under mailbox, hanging from a post or tree. Will need to work on instruction sheet to be given out with sign. Trevor will need to work on wording for Code update to address 911 signage requirement. There are different reflective coloring for these signs: green/white; blue/white; red/white & brown/yellow. Town Clerk questioned if residents would pick color, Trevor stated that

one will be picked for everyone. Councilmember Fred Arnold stated that post should be changed from 4 x 4 to 6 x 6. Trevor stated that sign could hang off the front, post don't need to be changed. Councilmember Ryan Flinton questioned how would replacement be determined? Trevor stated if Town takes a mail box down, they replace it, would replace sign also. The next level will be existing homes and how to get them to purchase signs. Town Clerk suggested putting in next newsletter the option of purchasing 911 numbers. Supervisor Smith has reached out to Emergency Services to see if there are any grants available for this. Trevor stated that roughly a \$30,000 overall project. Supervisor Smith stated that the Board was supportive of Trevor moving forward with this project. Trevor will work on cost & how other towns are addressing signs/grants for next month. Once code changes have been drafted, we will schedule public hearing to address changes.

Board went into a short discussion with Code Enforcement regarding how the Town is outgrowing the vault, this will need to be addressed at some point. Supervisor stated that the Town is also outgrowing current computer backup system.

Privilege of the Floor – **Andy McPherson** - Gave the Board a packet of information to read on renewable green energy along with contact names & emails, different websites to educate further on this.

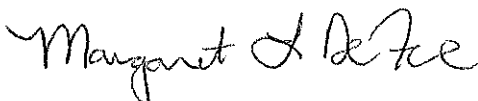
Supervisor Smith went over information on speed limit reduction for Crooked Street that he discussed briefly with Dave Anderson. This was the 5<sup>th</sup> letter of request for speed limit reduction sent to the State on Crooked Street since 2005. After receiving this last denial letter the Supervisor sent a lengthy letter back to State regarding Crooked Street. Assembly Member Mary Beth Walsh supported Supervisor on request for lowering of speed limit on road. Hence, we received two-page letter where they are now opting to lower speed limit on entire length of Crooked Street to 45 mph.

Councilmember Fred Arnold made a motion, seconded by Councilmember JoAnne Grant to adjourn the meeting at 8:12 p.m.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

Respectfully submitted,



Margaret L. DeFoe  
Town Clerk