

TOWN OF NEW BERLIN
TOWN BOARD MEETING MINUTES
December 11, 2023

CALL TO ORDER

Councilwoman Wendy Rifanburg called the Regular Monthly meeting of the Town Board at Town Hall to order at 6:00 PM

ROLL CALL

Supervisor: Vacant

Council Members Present: Wendy Rifanburg, John Parks, and Roy Stockwell

Town Clerk: Deborah Barker

Absent: Sarah wales-Wright (until 6:18)

Salute to the Flag was led by Wendy Rifanburg

PUBLIC COMMENTS

- Teresa Clarke addressed the Board about some concerns with individuals and their criminal activity in the Town
- Wendy introduced April Christian as a potential Council person in the upcoming months to fill a vacancy
- MaryEllen asked for the board's consideration in splitting the cost of cameras around the Town and Village
- Mayor Lennon discussed the Christmas concert, Opportunities for Broome Chenango redirected the lights on their building, next project is on Green/Genessee.
- Wendy Thanked the Village for their assistance in another water main break in SNB

PREVIOUS MONTHS BOARD MEETING MINUTES

The following minutes were presented and a motion was made by wales-Wright to approve, seconded by Parks. PARKS: Y STOCKWELL: Y RIFANBURG: Y WALES-WRIGHT: Y CARRIED: 4-1 (vacancy)

September 12, 2023

September 19, 2023 Spec mtg

October 10, 2023

Committee mtgs

ACCEPT MONTHLY REPORTS

A motion was introduced by Parks to accept the monthly reports for filing, seconded by: Stockwell

PARKS: Y STOCKWELL: Y RIFANBURG: Y WALES-WRIGHT: Y CARRIED: 4-1 (vacancy)

- Highway- Report submitted
 - A motion was made by Parks to purchase a 2023 case 821G Loader, Seconded by Stockwell. PARKS: Y STOCKWELL: Y RIFANBURG: Y WALES-WRIGHT: Y CARRIED: 4-1 (vacancy)
- New Berlin Police – Report submitted
 - A motion was made by Stockwell to purchase an alco sensor to be reimbursed by the Chenango County Traffic Safety Board, seconded by Parks. PARKS: Y STOCKWELL: Y RIFANBURG: Y WALES-WRIGHT: Y CARRIED: 4-1 (vacancy)
- Town Justice – Report submitted
 - A motion was made by Wales-Wright to place an ad for Court Clerk after discussing with Karen dates/times, seconded by Stockwell. PARKS: Y STOCKWELL: Y RIFANBURG: Y WALES-WRIGHT: Y CARRIED: 4-1 (vacancy)
- SNBWD – Report submitted
 - Add a line for fees on the budget
- Assessor - Report Submitted
- Town Clerk – Report submitted

ACCEPT COMMITTEE MINUTES

- Planning Board Committee: Margaret has not renewed her term, David Wells may be interested.

BOARD MEMBER COMMITTEE MINUTES

Highway: John Parks

Buildings and Grounds: John Parks

- Need a service agreement with Reese Marshal for the furnace

Youth Program: Sarah Wales-Wright

Ambulance:

Police: Wendy Rifanburg

SNB Water District: Roy Stockwell

APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS

Wales-Wright audited the vouchers for November 14, 2023, through December 09, 2023, and made a motion to accept and approve, Seconded by Parks. PARKS: Y STOCKWELL: Y RIFANBURG: Y WALES-WRIGHT: Y CARRIED: 4-1 (vacancy)

APPROVAL OF THE BALANCE SHEET/LOAN FUND BALANCE SHEETS

Fund	Prepay	Unpaid
General	6788.18	1784.01
Town Outside Village		2007.46
Highway DA		4610.74
Highway DB	241.22	22761.99
Street Lighting	1135.24	
SNB Water District	460.15	3787.47
Ambulance & Fire		0

APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL REPORTS

A motion to accept month-end financial reports, operating statements, and revolving loan funds was introduced by: Parks and seconded by: Stockwell. PARKS: Y STOCKWELL: Y RIFANBURG: Y WALES-WRIGHT: Y CARRIED: 4-1 (vacancy)

OLD BUSINESS

South New Berlin flags, will continue the discussion for Spring, maybe splitting the cost with eh SNB Fire Dept

NEW BUSINESS

A motion was made by Parks to renew Renerious Korver for another 5-year term on the Board of Assessment Review, seconded by Wales-Wright. PARKS: Y STOCKWELL: Y RIFANBURG: Y WALES-WRIGHT: Y CARRIED: 4-1 (vacancy)

General Code books were tabled

A motion was made by Rifanburg to hire Matt Crippen as PT Water plant operator, seconded by Stockwell. PARKS: Y STOCKWELL: Y RIFANBURG: Y WALES-WRIGHT: Y CARRIED: 4-1 (vacancy)

Continue the discussion on Volunteer Firefighters

A motion was made by Rifanburg to hire Jason Joy as MEO for Highway with a 12/10/23, seconded by Stockwell. PARKS: A STOCKWELL: Y RIFANBURG: Y WALES-WRIGHT: Y CARRIED: 3-1 (abstention) – 1 (vacancy)

A motion was made to have the end of year mtg to close finances on 12/27/23 6:00PM

Resolution # 29 of 2023 – Authorizing the Transfer of Appropriated Funds to correct deficits

INTRODUCED BY: Rifanburg SECONDED BY: Parks

ROLL CALL VOTE

PARKS: Y STOCKWELL: Y RIFANBURG: Y WALES-WRIGHT: Y

YES: 4 NO: 0 ABSTENTION: 0 ABSENT: 0 VACANCY: 1

CARRIED: X NOT CARRIED:

Resolution # 30 of 2023 – Authorizing the Transfer of fund from reserve to purchase a Loader

INTRODUCED BY: Rifanburg SECONDED BY: Wales-Wright

ROLL CALL VOTE

PARKS: Y STOCKWELL: Y RIFANBURG: Y WALES-WRIGHT: Y

YES: 4 NO: 0 ABSTENTION: 0 ABSENT: 0 VACANCY: 1

CARRIED: X NOT CARRIED:

CORRESPONDENCE

MacNamara on Chobani Whey disposal... Don't get involved

EXECUTIVE SESSION NA

RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION NA

ADJOURN @ 9:28PM

A motion was made by Stockwell to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by: Parks. PARKS: Y STOCKWELL: A RIFANBURG: Y WALES-WRIGHT: Y CARRIED: 3-1 (Absent) 1 (vacancy)

Minutes of the December 09, 2023 meeting were taken and typed by Deborah Barker, Town Clerk