

The August 28, 2019 Town of Bethel regular Town Board meeting was called to order by Supervisor Daniel Sturm at 7:30 p.m. at the Dr. Dugan Community Center meeting room.

Council members present: Vicky Simpson
Dawn Ryder
Lillian Hendrickson
Bernie Cohen

Attorney for the Town: Karen Mannino

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Building Department Report – July

July, 2019 Fees	\$ 3,545.00
July, 2018 Fees	\$ 3,104.00
July, 2019 Construction Totals	\$332,000.00
July, 2018 Construction Totals	\$293,200.00

Motion by Mrs. Simpson to receive and file Building Department monthly report for July 2019 as submitted. Seconded by Mrs. Hendrickson, put to a vote and carried 5-0.

Reappoint Charles Foster to the Board of Assessment Review 10/1/2019 – 9/30/2024

Motion by Mr. Cohen to reappoint Charles Foster to the Board of Assessment Review for the term 10/1/2019 – 9/30/2024. Seconded by Mrs. Hendrickson, put to a vote and carried 5-0.

Reappoint Daniel Gettel as Sole Assessor 10/1/19-9/30/2025

Motion by Mrs. Simpson to reappoint Daniel Gettel as Sole Assessor for the term 10/1/2019 – 9/30/2025. Seconded by Mrs. Ryder, put to a vote and carried 5-0.

Notice of Public Hearing Solar Farm Moratorium – T/O Lumberland

Motion by Mrs. Simpson to receive and file correspondence dated 8/21/2019 from the Town of Lumberland regarding Local Law 2 of 2019, proposed local law and copy of public hearing notice for 9/10/2019 at 7:05 p.m. at 1054 Proctor Road, Glen Spey, NY 12737, imposing a six month moratorium on the processing of application for, and the issuance of any approvals or permits for Solar Farms and Solar Power Plants in the town of Lumberland. Seconded by Mrs. Hendrickson, put to a vote and carried 5-0.

Town Hall Retrofit – Addendum #1 New RFP Date 9/18/19

Motion by Mrs. Ryder to approve Addendum #1 to the initial RFP, Engineering & Design Services for a Deep Energy Retrofit for the Town of Bethel Town Hall. The addendum addresses questions by the consultants and extends the deadline to September 18, 2019. Seconded by Mr. Cohen, put to a vote and carried 5-0.

Correspondence Bethel Tax Collector

Motion by Mrs. Hendrickson to receive letter dated 8/15/2019 from Debra S. Gabriel, Bethel Tax Collector stating that she has submitted her retirement papers to NYS Retirement Board on 8/8/2019 and on 8/30/2019 will be Debra’s last day of work as the Town of Bethel Tax Collector.

Mrs. Hendrickson stated that she never saw this before. Is Debra going to be on the ballot – resign then retire?

Mr. Sturm distributed and read a draft letter to Debra Gabriel.

Motion by Mrs. Simpson to send the letter read by Mr. Sturm to Debra Gabriel, Tax Collector. Seconded by Lillian Hendrickson, put to a roll call vote and carried 5-0 as follows:

<u>Roll Call Vote</u>	<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>
Mrs. Simpson	X	
Mrs. Hendrickson	X	
Mrs. Ryder	X	
Mr. Cohen	X	
Mr. Sturm	X	

Karen Mannino commented that the tax collector is running unopposed. After the election in November she will need to submit a new letter to vacate the position unless she takes her Oath of Office in January.

Mr. Sturm stated that the goal in thirty (30) days is to present options to the Town Board.

Alzheimer’s Assoc. request to use Duggan School 12/14

Motion by Mrs. Ryder to receive, file and approve correspondence dated 8/27/2019 to use the Dr. Duggan School Gym to host both Easter and Christmas vendor/raffle events to benefit the Alzheimer’s Association. Christmas event on 12/14/2019 with a rain date of 12/15/2019, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. with access starting at 7 a.m. All clean up would be done by the event people before leaving. Seconded by Mrs. Simpson, put to a vote and carried 5-0.

Monticello CS District Voter Referendum

Motion by Mrs. Simpson to receive and file correspondence dated 8/26/2019 by the Monticello Central School District requesting to use the Town of Bethel’s Duggan Community Center for their upcoming Referendum Vote on Thursday, 10/17/2019. Polls open 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. In addition, request to use the facility on Thursday, 10/10/2019 from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. for personal registration. Seconded by Mrs. Ryder, put to a vote and carried 5-0.

Noise Permit Application – Susana Alvarado 9/14/2019

Motion by Mrs. Hendrickson to receive, file and approve Noise Permit Application dated 8/28/2019 from Susana Alvarado, Plank Road, Mongaup Valley, NY. Dates 9/14 – 9/15/2019 from 3 p.m. until 4 a.m., live music/radio with speakers/instrumental – guitar, drums, and microphone with the following change/condition. Seconded by Mrs. Ryder to approve the times of 3 p.m. – 1 a.m., put to a vote and carried 5-0.

Town Board Comments

Mrs. Hendrickson - thanked the Sullivan County Democrat reporter, Patricio for the article on her husband Tom who was the 1969 White Lake Fire Chief; grandson Josh Cunningham who is 2019 White Lake Fire Chief; and her great grandson who will be fire chief in 2044 (75th Anniversary of Woodstock).

Mrs. Simpson - Woodstock anniversary was an amazing event and everything went well.

Public Comment

Bob Barrett - regarding Air B 'n B's. The town needs more regulations; permits, noise permits, etc. It is going to get out of control. Needs review, and not just Smallwood. The Town of Delaware has already started the process.

Colin McCluney was present to inform the town board of the truck noise on Creamery Road starting at 4:30 am every morning for weeks; lights flashing, largest trucks allowed on the road. No business on Creamery Road. They do not stop at the stop signs.

Adjournment

There being no further business on the agenda, Motion by Mrs. Hendrickson to adjourn the regular scheduled Town of Bethel Town Board meeting at 8:05 p.m. Seconded by Mrs. Ryder, put to a vote and carried 5-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Rita J. Sheehan, Town Clerk