

TOWN OF EXETER

ESTABLISHED 1799



Town Board Meeting Minutes

August 13, 2024 – 7:00 PM at Exeter Town Barn

Present: Supervisor Doreé Baker
Councilman Sammie Brooker
Councilwoman Teri Musser
Councilman Daniel Andela
Wendy Crouch, Town Secretary/Town Clerk

Also Present: Steven Baker, Highway Superintendent
David Arkema, Land Use Officer

Absent/Excused: Councilwoman Emma Miner

Supervisor Baker called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM and led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Adoption of Town Board Minutes: Motion by Councilwoman Musser and seconded by Councilman Brooker to adopt the minutes from July 9, 2024. Motion carried.

Adoption of Planning Board Minutes: Motion by Councilman Brooker and seconded by Councilwoman Musser to adopt the minutes from July 25, 2024. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Sign – will take 12 weeks from order dated of July 10, 2024
- Electric for sign will need to be put out for Bids
- Town Supervisor quarterly accounting audit completed
- Audit Committees for Clerk – tabled until September 10, 2024 at 6:00 PM
- Superintendent Baker reported the high bidder on the Dodge 3500 sold for \$4,900.00.
 - **Motion** to accept bid by Councilwoman Musser, seconded by Councilman Andela. **Motion** carried.
- Superintendent Baker reported the Trailer bid was for \$780.00. Auctions International needs approval or counteroffer with acceptable price. Counteroffer of \$1,500.00 to be made.
 - **Motion** to accept counteroffer by Councilman Brooker, seconded by Councilman Andela. **Motion** carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Received resignation of Dog Worden effective July 31, 2024.
 - **Motion** to accept Resignation by Councilwoman Musser and seconded by Councilman Brooker. **Motion** carried.
- Appointment of New Dog Worden – **Alicia Lasher** from the Town of Hartwick
 - **Motion by Councilwoman Musser and seconded by Councilman Andela** to appoint New Dog Worden Alicia Lasher. **Motion** carried.
- Received Thank you letter from Joann Burditt for paving the Post Office.
- Land Use Office, David Arkema requested consideration for drafting a new town ordinance for properties within the hamlet.
- Land Use Office, David Arkema informed the Board of four open positions on the Variance Board of Appeals (f/k/a Zoning Board of Appeals) and one open position on the Tax Grievance Board suggesting these seats should be filled. Notice of open positions to be placed on town website.
- Superintendent Baker reported that he and the highway employees plan to attend the Snow and Ice Control Operations for Local Highway Officials Workshop on September 17, 2024 at the Otsego County Garage.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

- **Supervisor Report - Motion** to accept by Councilman Brooker, seconded by Councilman Andela. **Motion** carried.
 - **Land Use Officer Report** – Dave Arkema reported that he sent written notice to three residents for unregistered vehicles. **Motion** to accept by Councilwoman Musser, seconded by Councilman Brooker. **Motion** carried.
 - **Justice Report – Motion** to accept by Councilwoman Musser, seconded by Councilman Andela. **Motion** carried.
- Highway Superintendent Report – Motion** by Councilman Andela to accept Highway Superintendent Report and seconded by Councilwoman Musser.

POLICIES: Personal Policy - tabled

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Not necessary

AUDIT BILLS/ABSTRACT

Reviewed and signed by all board members present. **Motion** to accept by Councilwoman Musser, seconded by Councilman Andela. Motion carried.

General Fund: \$4,031.85
Highway Fund: 43,474.76

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Councilman Andela and seconded by Councilman Brooker to adjourn the Town Board meeting at 8:28 PM.

Next meeting: **Tuesday, September 10, 2024, at 7:00 PM**

Submitted by: _____

Print Name: Wendy Crouch

Approval by: _____

Print Name: _____

Subject to Approval by Exeter Town Board