

**TOWN OF GRANBY  
BOARD MEETING  
AUGUST 10, 2022  
7:00 P.M.**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Supervisor Snow, Jr. called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. leading those present in the Salute to the Flag. Present for the **roll call** were Supervisor John Snow, Jr., Councilors Rodney DeLong, Marianne Ingerson and Irene Wiestner. Councilor Sandra Farrands was not present. Highway Superintendent Dan Duncan and Planning Board Chairperson Jane Crego were also present. There were two residents in attendance.

Councilor Ingerson made a motion, seconded by Councilor Wiestner to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the previous meetings, all were in favor, none opposed.

Supervisor Snow, Jr. made a motion, seconded by Councilor DeLong, to correct the minutes of July 27, 2022 to reflect that Councilor Ingerson did not speak to Judge Schmidt, she spoke with Court Clerk Jessica King, regarding the situation of needing another Court Clerk, all were in favor, none opposed.

**COMMUNICATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Supervisor Snow, Jr. informed the Board that the Association of Towns is offering Budget Training classes online, if anyone is interested.

The Zoning Review Committee has been meeting monthly, focusing their efforts on mining. Christine Bassett of the Committee spoke to the Board saying she and Committee member Lynn Lyons are in favor of the draft the Committee has written and given to The Board. Mining has been an issue in the Town for many years. Mrs. Bassett said she is honored to be on the Committee to give a resident's point of view. The draft is a good mix of allowing mining to continue in the Town while protecting the residents. Supervisor Snow, Jr. said the next steps are to send the draft to the Planning Board for approval and then to the County for a 239 Review. If approved by both, it will come back to the Town Board and a Public Hearing will be scheduled.

**REPORTS FROM DEPARTMENTS**

**Dog Control Officer** – Supervisor Snow, Jr reported there has been another serious dog bite issue on Cole Road. The residents were unhappy with Dog Control and the Town. Unfortunately, there is only so much the Dog Control Officer can do because he is confined by the law. He cannot go on the dog owner's property to seize the dog, and in this case, the dog owner kept the dog outside of the Town or hidden when it was in

the Town. Supervisor Snow, Jr. informed the resident that they could file a dangerous dog case with the Court themselves. We are also sending out friendly notices, targeting problem areas in the Town, reminding residents all dogs over the age of four months must be licensed per New York State Law. We are also enclosing a copy of our Local Dog Law.

**Town Clerk/Tax Collector** – Total revenue for July was \$3,243.81. A check in the amount of \$106.00 was sent to the New York State Department of Ag. & Markets for the spay/neuter program and a check in the amount of \$3,137.81 to the Supervisor for local shares.

**Youth** – The Youth Director held a Family Fun Day at the Community Center on July 28<sup>th</sup>. There were crafters, bounce houses, activities and food. The event was well attended. Today the Oswego County Youth Department hosted a petting zoo at the Community Center. They had a great turnout. The Youth Director will be planning a trip to Thunder Island.

**Planning Board** – There was a Public Hearing for Fairway Billiards and their application was approved. There was also another gentleman who is thinking about potentially opening a camp ground in the area of Bingham Road and County Route 8.

**ZBA** – They held two Hearings last night and another a couple of weeks ago. Supervisor Snow, Jr. had a conversation with the Chairman to make him aware of actions he can take during the meetings to make sure the rules are being followed. The last few Hearings have gone smoothly.

**Supervisor** – We are in budget season and Department requests have been sent out. He is starting to put some things together. He will be recommending a zero percent tax increase for the general fund. The Highway fund will increase. We have new gutters on the building. Nodine's has been in to service all the heating units. One unit needs to be replaced. They will also be looking at the furnace in the Community Center. The financial reports have been sent to the Board. The Board had no questions on the financials. Supervisor Snow, Jr. said Eleventh Street has been paved and looks great.

**Highway Superintendent** – The County Mowing Contract has been signed and the County Roads have been mowed once. They will be starting them again. The tar and stone work is complete on all roads scheduled. They are still finishing up shoulders on Phillips Road. They have been mixing salt. They have more culverts to do. The trailer is ready to be picked up. The truck tires have been ordered, but he has not ordered the loader tires yet. Highway Superintendent Duncan is planning to put the old pick-up trucks on Auctions International next week.

Councilor Ingerson made a motion, seconded by Councilor DeLong to allow Highway Superintendent Duncan to dispose of the salting unit purchased with the blue F350 pick-up truck, all were in favor, none opposed.

**Code Enforcement/Zoning** – There were 13 building permits issued with building fees of \$1,587.11 and a construction value of \$554,930.00. There were 15 other permits with fees of \$575.00. There were 36 building and other permits closed, 52 building inspections conducted and 6 fire inspections conducted. There were 20 violations issued, 16 violations inspections and 3 violations corrected. Supervisor Snow, Jr. has been working on staffing issues in the Codes Department. He would like to add Compliance Officer for Property Maintenance to the Fire Inspector position and dedicate one person to building permits. Bob Dalton will be leaving for the winter in four weeks. The Department Manager will be responsible for Zoning. Everything going to the Planning and Zoning Boards needs to go through the Codes Office. The new software system is ready to go. Contractors and construction companies will need to use the new online system. Paper applications will still be used by the residents for now.

The Board discussed equipment needs for the Highway Department. They are spending almost as much in repairs on the trucks as a payment would be for a new vehicle. Supervisor Snow, Jr. is proposing the purchase of three new plow trucks. There would be no payment due until 2024.

**MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS**

Councilor Ingerson made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Snow, Jr. to purchase three trucks, a roll call vote was taken;

Councilor DeLong	Aye	Councilor Ingerson	Aye
Councilor Wiestner	Aye	Supervisor Snow, Jr.	Aye

Councilor Ingerson made a motion, seconded by Councilor Wiestner to accept the parking lot bid from W.D. Malone Trucking and Excavating, Inc. in the amount of \$175,500.00, a roll call vote was taken;

Councilor Wiestner	Aye	Councilor DeLong	Aye
Councilor Ingerson	Aye	Supervisor Snow, Jr.	Aye

Supervisor Snow, Jr. made a motion, seconded by Councilor Wiestner to approve replacement of the broken HVAC unit in the History room, all were in favor, none opposed.

Councilor Ingerson made a motion, seconded by Councilor DeLong to approve the Zoning Review Committee proposal be sent to the Planning Board and also a 239 Review, all were in favor, none opposed.

**PAYMENT OF TOWN BILLS**

Councilor Ingerson made a motion, seconded by Councilor Wiestner to pay the Town bills as audited, all were in favor, none opposed.

General Fund	\$18,210.69	Highway Fund	\$114,022.95
Capital Projects	\$ 3,280.00		

**ITEMS FOR WORK SESSION**

Presentation of Citizens of the Year	Decision on Airport Road
Community Center Master Plan for Recreation Area	

Water Service Area 7 is officially complete. There has been environmental work going on for the next two water projects.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Councilor DeLong made a motion, seconded by Councilor Wiestner to enter into Executive Session regarding potential employment and current employment status of a specific employee or employees.

The Board entered into Executive Session at 8:21 P.M.

Councilor Ingerson made a motion, seconded by Councilor DeLong to reconvene the meeting, all were in favor, none opposed.

The meeting was reconvened at 8:36 P.M.

No action was taken in Executive Session.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Councilor Ingerson made a motion, seconded by Councilor Wiestner to adjourn the meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 8:38 P.M.