

**TOWN OF GRANBY  
BOARD MEETING  
SEPTEMBER 14, 2022  
7:00 P.M.**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Supervisor Snow, Jr. called the meeting to order at 7:20 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 Sandara Farrands. Councilor Irene Wiestner was not present. Highway Superintendent Dan Duncan and MEO Jason Shepard were also present. There were no residents in attendance.

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

**PUBLIC COMMENT - None**

**COMMUNICATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Board has received a letter from the Planning Board with their opinion to adopt the proposed Mining Overlay Zoning District Local Law and the amendments to the Zoning Ordinance. The County has also recommended adoption.

The Board has also received a letter from the Planning Board regarding recommendations to regulate cannabis. Such as a Zoning Ordinance Use Chart reflecting where the growing, dispensary and consumption areas would be most appropriate in the Town.

**REPORTS FROM DEPARTMENTS**

**Code Enforcement/Zoning** – There were 17 building permits issued with fees of \$1,638.80 and a construction value of \$376,930.00. There were 16 other permits issued with fees of \$575.00. There were 16 building and other permits closed, 21 building inspections and 8 fire inspections conducted. There were 16 violations issued, 28 violation inspections and 7 violations corrected.

**County Legislator** – Supervisor Snow, Jr. told the Board we are having an issue with policing the accumulation of garbage. The Health Department is not following up with complaints. One resident was told simply to put a tarp over the garbage. If any of the Board members speak with one of our Legislators, please bring this issue to their attention.

**Town Clerk/Tax Collector** – Total revenue for August was \$4,391.05. A check in the amount of \$211.00 was sent to the New York State Department of Ag & Markets for the spay/neuter program and a check in the amount of \$67.50 went to the New York State Health Department for marriage licenses. A check in the amount of \$3,752.58 went to the Supervisor for local shares.

**Highway Superintendent** – They have been mowing, doing culverts, ditching and mixing salt and sand.

**ZBA** – They have met twice lately for area variances.

**Justice** – Councilor Ingerson spoke with Justice Doyle who indicated both he and Justice Schmidt agree they need a second court clerk to maintain continuity for vacations, time off, sick time and to keep up with the workload.

**Youth Director** – They had a Thunder Island outing the end of August.

**Supervisor** – He has sent the financial reports to the Board. Supervisor Snow, Jr. would like to thank his Clerk and the Town Clerk for taking care of things at the Town Hall while he was on vacation. The parking lot has been under construction this week. Highway Superintendent Duncan has been helping out. They have installed a French drain to help with the water problems. The back parking lot has been re-sealed and the fuel tank has been replaced. When the gutters were installed on the building, the installers told us the roof is bad on the office side of the building. Lindsley Roofing indicated they replaced the roof about 20 years ago. He estimated approximately \$40,000.00 for a new roof. This will require specifications for formal bidding. Supervisor Snow, Jr. said the property looks nice and people are noticing. He has spent most of his time lately on the budget. Supervisor Snow, Jr. reminded the Board that they cannot vote or authorize the spending of funds exceeding the procurement policy limit by phone. Financial decisions must be done at a public meeting. An emergency meeting can be called, but it must be a true emergency. A special meeting requires a minimum of a three-day notice to the public.

The Board discussed whether to re-stripe Pendergast Road. A former Highway Superintendent had it striped a few years ago without the knowledge of the Board. Now that it is in need of re-striping, should it be done again. We need to look into the legal aspects before we make a decision.

## **MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS**

Supervisor Snow, Jr. made a motion, seconded by Councilor Ingerson to amend the mileage rate to the IRS rate change of 62.5 cents per mile, all were in favor, none opposed.

Supervisor Snow, Jr. made a motion, seconded by Councilor Ingerson to approve the leave of absence request from CEO Robert Dalton from October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022 to May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023, all were in favor, none opposed.

Supervisor Snow, Jr. made a motion, seconded by Councilor DeLong to purchase three Motorola radios in the amount of \$8,500.00, two hand-held and one for the Codes vehicle, a roll call vote was taken;

Supervisor Snow, Jr.	Aye	Councilor Farrands	Aye
Councilor DeLong	Aye	Councilor Ingerson	Aye
Councilor Weistner	Absent		

Councilor Ingerson made a motion, seconded by Councilor Farrands to approve an RFP for a shingle and metal roof options for the Town Hall, all were in favor, none opposed.

Supervisor Snow, Jr. made a motion, seconded by Councilor DeLong to set a Public Hearing on the Mining Local Law for September 28<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 P.M., all were in favor, none opposed.

Supervisor Snow, Jr. did a walk through of the Highway garage with Highway Superintendent Duncan. The loader tires have been ordered along with tires for the 2011 and 2015 trucks. We also have a post pounder on order. Supervisor Snow, Jr. suggested taking \$30,000.00 from the General Fund to put in the Highway Fund for these purchases.

Supervisor Snow, Jr. made a motion, seconded by Councilor Ingerson to transfer \$30,000.00 from the General Fund to the Highway Fund to pay for Highway equipment needs, all were in favor, none opposed.

Supervisor Snow, Jr. asked what the pick-up trucks sold for on Auctions International. Highway Superintendent Duncan said he has not yet listed them.

The Insurance Company has totaled the Gradall and has offered \$14,629.00. Highway Superintendent Duncan has secured a price of \$92,000.00 on the 2012 Gradall with approximately 9000 hours that we are now renting. This includes grapple hooks to pick up trees. Supervisor Snow, Jr. said a new Gradall is approximately \$550,00.00, including attachments, which could be bonded over 15 years and the payments worked into the budget.

Councilor Ingerson made a motion, seconded by Councilor DeLong to start the process to purchase a new 4100 Gradall, all were in favor, none opposed.

## **PAYMENT OF TOWN BILLS**

Councilor Ingerson made a motion, seconded by Councilor DeLong to pay the Town bills as audited on Abstracts 17, 17A and 17B, all were in favor, none opposed.

General Fund	\$19,939.39	Highway Fund	\$30,048.30
Capital Projects	\$ 800.00	Lighting	\$17,839.20

## **ITEMS FOR WORK SESSION**

Mining Public Hearing

Highway Budget

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Councilor Farrands made a motion, seconded by Councilor DeLong to enter into Executive Session to discuss contract negotiations with the bargaining unit, all were in favor, none opposed.

The Board entered into Executive Session at 8:42 P.M.

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

The meeting was reconvened at 9:20 P.M.

No action was taken in Executive Session.

Councilor DeLong made a motion, seconded by Councilor Ingerson that the Town Board authorize the Supervisor to offer an agreement to the Teamsters allowing for a one-time severance package, all were in favor, none opposed.

Supervisor Snow, Jr. made a motion, seconded by Councilor DeLong to add \$3,500.00 to account DA.5110.117, all were in favor, none opposed.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

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

Meeting adjourned at 9:23 P.M.