

TOWN OF CONSTANTIA  
**MINUTES – SUPERVISOR’S MEETING – August 2, 2021**  
9:00 am Constantia Town Hall

Present: Kenneth Mosley - Supervisor  
Richard Colesante, John Metzger, Thomas Moran – Council Members  
Clare Haynes – Town Clerk  
Absent: Frank Tomaino – Council Member  
Warren Bader – Town Attorney

**CALL TO ORDER:**

At 9:00 am Mr. Mosley called the town board meeting to order with the pledge of allegiance.

**BOARD COMMENT:**

-Mr. Mosley told the board that Mr. Tomaino is going to Rome tomorrow to meet with Claudia Tenney’s staff. Mr. Tomaino is going to discuss the shortfall in funding for the sewer district.

-Mr. Mosley also thinks it would be a good idea to table the discussion on offering retirement for long term employees as Mr. Tomaino will be Supervisor next year and Mr. Chapman will be new to the board. Mr. Colesante and Mr. Metzger do not agree, yes only one new person but Mr. Chapman can always voice his opinion on any topic, his opinion is important.

-Mr. Moran would like to know the stance of the board members present when speaking of opting out of retail sales of cannabis. If the Town is going to opt out this needs to be done by the end of the year. Mr. Moran did request and received a sample law from the Tug Hill Commission and has been reading about the requirements, it appears there are many steps involved. Mr. Colesante, Mr. Metzger and Mr. Mosley are all in agreement that the Town should follow the necessary steps to opt out. Mrs. Haynes will reach out to Mr. Bader and Costello, Cooney & Fearon for the steps to follow.

-Mr. Woolridge called in by phone and let the board know that the resolution passed last month meeting is incorrect. When getting his numbers together Mr. Woolridge added in his rollover approx. 490,000 from last year, he now realizes that the State already included the rollover in the numbers. He will make the correction at the August town board meeting.

ARPA- American Rescue Plan Act – The Town is eligible for a total of \$419,925. There has been no clarification from the Government on how and when this money can be used. Mr. Colesante believes there should be no expenditure until the final guidelines are received.

Code Enforcement – Mr. Colesante would like to discuss the code enforcement as it pertains to the Towns goals. Mr. Colesante would like to get input from Mr. Haynes, for example what is needed in that office to be more effective of code enforcement especially with the new laws and violations. If more money is needed, or an additional CEO, the board needs this information for consideration in the 2022 budget.

Police Contract – Mr. Mosley did get a copy of a contract to have an off duty sheriff patrol in the Town, a copy will be available for discussion at the budget meetings. Mr. Metzger believes it is a good idea if the sheriff is concentrating on smaller town issues. After discussion Mr. Mosley will reach out the Minetto Town Supervisor to get their input on the program.

Short Term Rentals – The board needs to discuss putting into place some rules for short term rentals in the Town. Main priority would be for safety, carbon monoxide and smoke detectors, fire extinguishers and proper egress for sleeping quarters.

Next supervisor meeting will be August 30<sup>th</sup> at 9am

Water Board meeting will be August 31<sup>st</sup> at 10am.

**ADJOURN:**

At 11:45am the meeting adjourned.