

TOWN OF CONSTANTIA
MINUTES –SUPERVISOR’S MEETING OF THE TOWN BOARD – July 2, 2024
4:00 pm Constantia Town Hall

Present: Frank Tomaino – Supervisor
Michael Donegan, Thomas Moran, Ronald Chapman, Daniel Poné – Council Members
Warren Bader – Town Attorney
John Mura, Richard Colesante, William Buchan – Sewer Committee Members
Rhonda Cottet – Deputy Town Clerk
Paul Baxter – Tug Hill Commission
Dustin Clark – Barton & Loguidice

Absent: Clare Haynes – Town Clerk

CALL TO ORDER:

At 4:00 pm Mr. Tomaino called the supervisor’s meeting to order with the pledge of allegiance

DISCUSSION: Mr. Tomaino indicated he received a proposal for sewer engineering services from O’Brien and Gere. However the proposal was received two weeks late, and the Board needs to decide if they will consider the proposal. The Board reviewed the proposal and discussed how to proceed. Mr. Moran stated the proposal should not be considered because it was received after the submission deadline, and all other members agreed the proposal should not be considered.

Mr. Tomaino mentioned the new door in the Town Hall which provides better security by blocking access to the town offices.

On Tuesday, July 9, 2024, Mr. Tomaino and Mrs. Haynes will meet with the architect at the current Town Hall.

Mr. Baxter will be retiring from the Tug Hill Commission next year, and interviews for his replacement will be taking place shortly. The Tug Hill Commission wants a member of the North Shore Council of Governments to be on the interview committee.

WASTEWATER: The sewer committee met with Assemblyman Barclay to work on proposing sites for the new treatment plant. The Town should have three site options for the plant. Currently, the three options are the park on Railroad Street by the Highway garage, property on Kibbie Lake Road, and the property at 1667 State Route 49. There was a lengthy discussion on the pros and cons of each location. Two of the properties are designated as parks and would need to be decommissioned before the treatment plant could be located at the site. Warren Bader will research how to decommission a park. Any of the locations will require easements/access to the lake and DEC approval. The Town does not want to get into another municipal agreement to ship the waste to another municipality. The costs to build the treatment plant should not inflate the project cost too much over the previously proposed cost of using Cleveland’s treatment plant.

There was also discussion on what is needed for the next round of grant applications. Mr. Clark advised an updated preliminary report, district formation, revised SEQR, revised NEPA, and a revised bond resolution are needed.

Barton & Loguidice has “paused” the initial agreement with the Town. Additional services will be performed as requested by the Town. Mr. Clark advised they are able to use the work they have already done for the Town if Barton & Loguidice is chosen for the project engineers.

At 4:50 pm Mr. Donegan left the meeting for a prior commitment.

Mr. Chapman made a motion to sign the contract with Barton & Loguidice for engineering services, seconded by Mr. Poné.

Carried: Moran – Yes Chapman – Yes Poné – Yes Donegan – Absent Tomaino – Yes

Mr. Moran made a motion to abide by the mutual termination agreement with the New York State Environmental Facilities Corporation, seconded by Mr. Chapman.

Carried: Moran – Yes Chapman – Yes Poné – Yes Donegan – Absent Tomaino - Yes

ADJOURN:

At 5:03 pm the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted:

Rhonda Cottet
Deputy Town Clerk