

**TOWN OF CORINTH, TOWN BOARD MEETING
JANUARY 12, 2023 @ 6:00PM**

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

Ed Byrnes, Councilman
Jeffrey Collura, Councilman
Kiley Crooks Councilwoman
Josh Halliday, Councilman
Albert Brooks, Sr. , Building/Code Officer
Shawn Eggleston, Highway Superintendent
Brenda Peris, Town Clerk

EXCUSED: Eric Butler, Supervisor
Matt Fogarty, EMS Coordinator

COUNCILMAN BYRNES:

- *Moment of silence for Louise Reed who served on one of our boards for years.
- *Pledge
- *Reports given to board for review
 - *Assessor
 - *Building Dept.
 - *Highway
 - *Fire Dept.

RESOLUTION #77

Approve Organizational and Town Board Meeting Minutes Dated 01/05/2023.

A Motion by Councilman Halliday and Seconded by Councilwoman Crooks to Approve Organizational and Town Board Meeting Minutes Dated 01/05/2023.

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| Ayes | 4 Byrnes, Collura, Crooks, Halliday |
| Nays | 0 |

Excused 1
Motion Passed

ABSTRACT

Abstracts for 01/12/2023

Voucher A – 230001-230043(void 230040-230041)

B –232001-232033

CM -237001-237014

DB –233001-233009

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| General Fund A | \$ 23,839.15 |
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| General Fund/Outside Village – B | \$ 7,223.80 |
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| Community Development Grant -CDGB | \$ |
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| Highway/Part Town – DB | \$ 10,157.08 |
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| Medical – CM | \$ 4,246.83 |
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| Home improvement | \$ |
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| Fire – SF | \$ |
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| SW Consolidated Water 220013 | \$ |
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Sewer/ Water

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| Eastern Avenue | \$ |
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| Tranquility | \$ |
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| Passarelli | \$ |
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| Dorset | \$ |
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| Corinth #5 | \$ |
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Lighting

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| Eastern Avenue 235001 | \$ 386.85 |
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| Eggleston Avenue 234001 | \$ 334.55 |
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| South Corinth 236001 | \$ 200.92 |
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TOTAL \$46,389.18

RESOLUTION#78

To Approve Bill-Pay Abstract Totaling \$46,389.18 dated 01/12/2023.

A Motion by Councilman Halliday and Seconded by Councilman Collura to
Approve Bill-Pay Abstract Totaling \$46,389.18

Ayes 4 Byrnes, Collura, Crooks, Halliday

Nays 0
Excused 1
Motion Passed

BUILDING DEPARTMENT:

Trisha Santiago presented the board with a price increase proposal for the Annual fee for Campground/RV Camp Sites and Mobile Home Parks for the 2024 licensing year. There have been no increases over the past 7 years possibly longer. Research was done to compare fees from other Towns the size of ours. Looking for approval to increase the fees.
A discussion was held regarding the increase.

RESOLUTION #79

To Approve the increase of the Annual Fee for Campground/RV Camp Sites and Mobile Home Parks beginning with the 2024 licensing year.

A Motion by Councilman Halliday and Seconded by Councilwoman Crooks to Approve the increase of the Annual Fee for Campground/RV Camp Sites and Mobile Home Parks beginning with the 2024 licensing year.

Ayes 3 Collura, Crooks, Halliday

Nays 0

Excused 1 Butler

Councilman Byrnes recused himself from the vote due to a conflict of interest.

Motion Passed

GRAHAME CHAMPAGNE:

Saratoga County Fire Advisory Board update:

Volunteers:

Volunteer issues are a problem across the country. The Governor put together a task force to come up with ideas for recruitment---set of recommendations.

Factors:

*Identified as a crisis, in 20 years NY State has lost 20,000 volunteer firefighters. This affects response time, getting equipment out, mutual aid is used in many situations.

- *Increase in responsibility—not just responding to fires. Responding to accidents, hazmat, weather emergencies.

- *Training has increased to 120 hours which is required for all volunteers and that does not include calls.

Recommendations:

- *Enhance Fire fighter training through distance training but in person is always better. Could possibly use local schools for training.

- *Provide benefits for volunteers, such as retirement plan, property tax relief, Etc.

- *Research what other states are doing.

- *Saratoga County provided \$2200.00 to each department for recruitment efforts.

Training Center:

- *Issues with the smoke house, the building is worn out. Have received approval for a grant but have not received the funds. The building is closed until it is fixed.

- *Pushing for funding for training.

Portable Radios:

- *Some of the portable radios can no longer be fixed.

- *New radios are expensive ranging from \$2,000 to \$6,000 for one radio

- *The County provides mobile radios, but the individual Departments pay for the portable radios.

Councilman Halliday asked what is impacting volunteers to leave? Grahame responded that it is poor leadership, personality, people moving out of the area, etc.

Councilwoman Crooks:

- *This is the same with all 1st responders across the country. Give what is needed for the volunteers. Field Training is needed not virtual.

- *There is a Junior Fire Fighter program

Councilman Collura:

- *Why are firefighters going to the EMS calls? Grahame-Getting someone there as quickly as possible. 85% of Fire calls are for EMS and 5% fires.

- *Offer classes in high School or college to get students interested and have the State pay for classes.

- *Require less training hours

Councilman Byrnes:

*Corinth is getting the Radios a few at a time.

ATTORNEY:

*State passed legislation for first responders to receive 10% reduction. He will follow up by sending the information to the Board. Would have to create a local law.

*Blue Waive Solar---Letter of Pilot Agreement received and needs a response in 60 days. A letter for each project was drafted to send back letting them know we would like the Pilot.

RESOLUTION #80

To Provide Formal Notice to Blue Waive Solar that the Town Board requires a contract for payments in lieu of taxes for the Projects located at 14 Butler Dr. & 582 Main St.

A Motion by Councilman Halliday and Seconded by Councilman Collura to Provide Formal Notice to Blue Waive Solar that the Town Board requires a contract for payments in lieu of taxes for the Projects located at 14 Butler Dr. & 582 Main St.

Ayes 4 Byrnes, Collura, Crooks, Halliday

Nays 0

Excused 1 Butler

Motion Passed

*DCO files have been reviewed. All cases are closed except one which is going to trial.

HIGHWAY:

*Request to put plow truck out to bid. It requires a 30-day wait period. Would like bids due by March 9th.

RESOLUTION #81

To Grant Permission to Superintendent Eggleston to Start the Bid process for the New Plow Truck and set a date of March 9th.

A Motion by Councilman Halliday and Seconded by Councilwoman Crooks to Grant Permission to Superintendent Eggleston to Start the Bid process for the New Plow Truck and set a date of March 9th.

Ayes 4 Byrnes, Collura, Crooks, Halliday

Nays 0

Excused 1 Butler

Motion Passed

BUILDING/CODE:

*Cell towers are getting upgrades

*Big Map printer/scanner needs to be replaced. Received 3 responses—2 quotes, and the 3rd did not have the printer/scanner available and didn't know when they would. Albert would like to do the lease to buy option. It would cost around \$6500.00 and would be spread over several budget years. Would like to go with the current company used.

The Board asked that the information be forwarded to them and then they would decide at a future meeting.

*Issued 3 logging permits for the Solar Farms. They are only allowed to log until the end of Jan. and not again until Nov.

*Albert will be attending Schooling the end of February into March which will cover all annual requirements.

*Looking for approval of the Special Use Permits.

RESOLUTION #82

To Approve the Special Use Permits for Alpine Lake RV Park, Hudson Pines Campground, Byrnes Mountain View Mobile Home Park, Guaardsman Junk Yard, Pixley's Junk Yard, Rustic Barn Campground, Woodcrest Acres Mobile Home Park, and Antone Mountain Mobile Home Park.

A Motion by Councilman Collura and Seconded by Councilman Halliday to Approve the Special Use Permits for Alpine Lake RV Park, Hudson Pines Campground, Byrnes Mountain View Mobile Home Park, Guaardsman Junk Yard, Pixley's Junk Yard, Rustic Barn Campground, Woodcrest Acres Mobile Home Park, and Antone Mountain Mobile Home Park.

Ayes 4 Byrnes*, Collura, Crooks, Halliday

Nays 0

Excused 1 Butler

*Councilman Byrnes abstained from the Byrnes Mountain View Mobile Home Park.

Motion Passed

PUBLIC: No Public Comment

TOWN BOARD:

Councilman Collura: Nothing further to report

Councilwoman Crooks:

*Image Committee and Youth Meetings this week. The leader of the Healthy coalition attended and asked if we could do something for Earth Day. A Townwide cleanup day or an adopt a highway day. A discussion was held regarding both. The conclusion was to go with the adopt a highway day.

Councilman Halliday:

*Healthy Corinth and the Youth Commission. Is there a way to partner with the YMCA for a discount for families. A discussion was held.

*Both ends of Surrey Rd have been blocked by the owner of the land. Superintendent Eggleston stated that he spoke to the owner of the land and that they would be moving them back because his plow trucks have no way of turning around.

RESOLUTION#83

Motion to Adjourn the Meeting @ 7:15PM.

A Motion by Councilman Halliday and Seconded by Councilman Collura to Adjourn the Meeting @7:15PM.

Ayes 4 Byrnes, Collura, Crooks, Halliday

Nays 0

Excused 1 Butler

Motion Passed

Respectfully Submitted by
Brenda L Peris, Town Clerk