

# TOWN OF CORINTH, REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING

## THURSDAY JUNE 27, 2024

### CALL MEETING TO ORDER

### ROLL CALL:

Eric Butler, Supervisor  
Patrick Clothier, Councilman  
Kiley Crooks, Councilwoman  
Melanie Denno, Councilwoman  
Matt Fogarty, EMS Coordinator  
Brenda Peris, Town Clerk

### EXCUSED:

Carey Mann, Councilman  
Albert Brooks, Building/Code Officer  
Shawn Eggleston, Highway Superintendent

### PLEDGE:

#### RESOLUTION #162

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Councilwoman Denno and seconded by Councilman Clothier the following resolution was

<b>ADOPTED</b>	Ayes	4 Butler, Clothier, Crooks, Denno
	Nays	0
	Excused	1 Mann

**RESOLVED** that the Town Board Meeting Minutes for June 13, 2024, be approved.

#### RESOLUTION#163

#### APPROVAL OF ABSTRACT

A motion was made by Councilwoman Crooks and seconded by Councilwoman Denno the following resolution was

<b>ADOPTED</b>	Ayes	4 Butler, Clothier, Crooks, Denno
	Nays	0
	Excused	1 Mann

**RESOLVED** that the abstracts of June 27, 2024, be approved as follows:

**ABSTRACT**  
**Abstracts for 06/27/2024**

Voucher A – 240367 - 240390

B – 242256 – 242270 (void # 242260)

CM – 247141 - 247151

DB – 243182 - 243192

General Fund A \$ 27,927.82

General Fund/Outside Village – B \$ 4,497.05

Highway/Part Town – DB \$ 24,209.30

Medical – CM \$ 12,382.21

Home improvement \$

SW Consolidated Water \$

**Lighting**

Eastern Avenue \$

Eggleston Avenue \$

South Corinth \$

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**TOTAL      \$ 69,016.38**

**REPORTS:** The following report given to the Town Board for review:

Sales Tax

**CDBG-HOME IMPORVEMENT PUBLIC HEARING:**

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Public Hearing

Town of Corinth

The Town of Corinth will hold a public hearing on June 27<sup>th</sup> at 6 PM at Corinth Town Hall, 600 Palmer Avenue, Corinth NY 12822 for the purpose of hearing public comments on the Town of Corinth’s community development needs, and to discuss the possible submission of one or more Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) applications for the 2024 program year. The CDBG program is administered by the New York State Office of Community Renewal (OCR) and will make available to eligible local governments approximately \$15 million dollars for the 2024 program year for housing, economic development, public facilities, public infrastructure, and planning activities, with the principal purpose of benefitting low/moderate income persons. Town of Corinth is applying for \$750,000 in CDBG funds to fund housing rehabilitation for 1–4-unit owner occupied residences in the Town. The hearing will provide further information about the CDBG program, including progress towards beneficiary goals and program objectives, and will allow for citizen participation in the development of any proposed grant applications and/or to provide technical assistance to develop alternate proposals. Comments on the CDBG program or proposed project(s) will be received at this time. The hearing is being conducted pursuant to Section 570.486, Subpart I

of the CFR and in compliance with the requirements of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended.

The Corinth Town Hall is accessible to persons with disabilities. If special accommodations are needed for persons with disabilities, those with hearing impairments, or those in need of translation from English, those individuals should contact Brenda Peris, Town Clerk at 518-654-9232, at least three days in advance of the hearing date to allow for necessary arrangements. Written comments may also be submitted to Supervisor C. Eric Butler, Town Supervisor, until July 12, 2024, at 3PM.

**Supervisor Butler opened the public hearing:**

**Rebecca from Flatley Read Inc.**----- Explained the Home Improvement Grant. Listed below are some bullet points.

- \*Town is looking for residents with Single Family Homes
- \*The Grants would include fixing windows, roofs, handicap accessibility, Etc.
- \*It is income based- Example a 1-person home max. income is \$62,850 and the amount increases based on the number of residents living in the home.
- \*Limit on the funds granted for each project and cannot be more than 50% of the value of the home.
- \*A 5-year State lien is placed on the home with a depreciation of 20% per year. If the home is sold within the 5-year period, a percentage of the funds would have to be paid back to the Town.
- \* There is also some partnering with Rebuilding Saratoga and the Weatherization program.
- \*No match required from homeowner.

A discussion was held between Rebecca and the Town Board.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** There was no public comment

**RESOLUTION#164**

**TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING**

A motion was made by Councilwoman Crooks and Seconded by Councilman Clothier the following resolution was

<b>ADOPTED</b>	Ayes	4
	Nays	0
	Excused	1

**RESOLVED** To Close the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Public Hearing

The resolution below was read by the Town Clerk. A discussion by the Town board was held with pros and cons being shared.

**RESOLUTION No: 165**

**PRO HOUSING**

A Motion by Councilwoman Crooks and Seconded by Supervisor Butler

<b>Adopted</b>	Ayes	3 Butler, Crooks, Denno
	Nays	1 Clothier
	Excused	1 Mann

WHEREAS, the Town of Corinth (hereinafter “local government”) believes that the lack of housing for New York residents of all ages and income levels negatively impacts the future of New York State’s economic growth and community well-being;

WHEREAS, the housing crisis has negative effects at regional and local levels, we believe that every community must do their part to contribute to housing growth and benefit from the positive impacts a healthy housing market brings to communities;

WHEREAS, we believe that supporting housing production of all kinds in our community will bring multiple benefits, including increasing housing access and choices for current and future residents, providing integrated accessible housing options that meet the needs of people with sensory and mobility disabilities, bringing economic opportunities and vitality to our communities, and allowing workers at all levels to improve their quality of life through living closer to their employment opportunities;

WHEREAS, we believe that evidence showing that infill development that reduces sprawl and supports walkable communities has significant environmental and public health benefits; and

WHEREAS, we believe that affirmatively furthering fair housing and reducing segregation is not only required by law, but is essential for keeping our community strong and vibrant;

**NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED** that the Town of Corinth, in order to take positive steps to alleviate the housing crisis, adopts the Pro-Housing Communities pledge, which will have us endeavor to take the following important Steps:

1. Streamlining permitting for multifamily housing, affordable housing, accessible housing, accessory dwelling units, and supportive housing.
2. Adopting policies that affirmatively further fair housing.
3. Incorporating regional housing needs into planning decisions.
4. Increasing development capacity for residential uses.
5. Enacting policies that encourage a broad range of housing development, including multifamily housing, affordable housing, accessible housing, accessory dwelling units, and supportive housing.

**RESOLUTION #166**

**TO APPROVE A NEW HIRE**

A motion was made by Councilwoman Denno and seconded by Councilwoman Crooks the following resolution was

<b>ADOPTED</b>	Ayes	3 Clothier, Crooks, Denno
	Nays	0
	Excused	1 Mann

Supervisor Butler recused himself from the vote due to his relation to the new hire.

**RESOLVED** to hire Jim Long as summertime help at a rate of \$25.00 per hour.

**SUPERVISOR:**

**\*Department Head Meeting:** 60% attended. The goal of the meeting was specific to the Grant Writer. The Department heads submitted a list of needs, and they will be turned over to the grant writer to see if there are any grants available that fit those categories.

**\*ARPA Funds update:** The funds must be committed by the end of the year.

**TOWN CLERK:** Nothing further to report

**EMS:** \*Councilman Clothier asked about the status of the Grants the EMS applied for. EMS Coordinator Fogarty they have not been disqualified and are waiting for a response.

\*Worked on the half year reports for call, billing revenue, payroll line, and everything is where it should be.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

**Jim Anderson:** Has there been any consideration for placing Solar Panels on top of the dump? Supervisor Butler stated that they did look there but that there is a 30- acre requirement & the land fill is not big enough.

**TOWN BOARD:**

**Councilwoman Denno:** Nothing further to report

**Councilman Clothier:** The July 2024 Newsletter is out

**Councilwoman Crooks:** \*9N Project update to the community-place 6-7 pictures from the pamphlet with map plan on the website for public view. Explain the project and get the information out. Supervisor Butler—may need to have another public meeting.

\*Get a map or outline for this year's paving projects from the highway department and maybe widen those roads. It would be safer for walking and biking. Supervisor Butler will send an email to the Highway Superintendent.

**RESOLUTION#167**

**TO ADJOURN MEETING**

A motion was made by Councilwoman Crooks and seconded by Councilman Clothier the following resolution was

<b>ADOPTED</b>	Ayes	3 Clothier, Crooks, Denno
	Nays	0
	Excused	1 Mann

**RESOLVED** to Adjourn the Town Board Meeting at 7:17pm

Respectfully Submitted by  
Brenda L Peris, Town Clerk