

**TOWN OF NICHOLS
REGULAR MEETING
OCTOBER 11, 2022**

Town Supervisor, Esther Woods, brought the meeting to order at 7:00 pm in the Nichols Elementary School located at 139 Ro-Ki Blvd Nichols NY 13812

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL;

Supervisor Esther Woods (present), Councilperson Bill Middleton (present), Councilperson Rose Cole (present), Councilperson Brenda Fay-Pelotte (present).

ALSO PRESENT;

Will Heveland (Highway Superintendent), Ray Thetga Jr (Buildings and Grounds), Kem Hart-Baker (Historian), Brandon Sickler and Karen Hall (Town Clerk).

PUBLIC COMMENTS –

K. Hart-Baker asked for Board approval to purchase a 18”x 24” aerial photo that Greg Cromer presented to the Board a couple months ago. The Board to review the Historian’s budget and let her know at the next Board meeting.

K. Hart-Baker told the Board Dale Coleman offered to do a 360* virtual video of the Historians Museum to post on the Memories of Nichols Facebook page free of charge in hopes that the Board will hire him to do the same in the Town/Village of Nichols for the 200th birthday celebration.

MINUTES

Motion to approve minutes from September 28, 2022 made by R. Cole 2nd by E. Woods.

Roll Vote;

B. Middleton (*abstain*), R. Cole (*aye*), B. Fay-Pelotte (*aye*) and E. Woods (*aye*).

Carried 3 aye- 0 absent- 0 No- 1 abstain

NEW BUSINESS –

ADDITIONAL NEW BUSINESS –

UPDATE FROM TOWN PERSONNEL –

Highway - W. Heveland said that they were getting ready for Fall Clean Up Days. The crates/bins for electronic recycling were dropped off and he is waiting for the Rid of It company to drop off the trailer for the tires. Discussion went to if we would accept tires with rims on them and R. Cole stated that the Rid of It company said they will take them. R. Cole to call and verify with Rid of Vit. W. Heveland mentioned that he had 2 surplus sanders that are no longer being used and that he wanted to either send out to auction or offer to buy through sealed bids.

Motion to send 2 surplus sanders to Auction made R. Cole 2nd B. Fay-Pelotte

Roll Vote;

B. Middleton (*aye*), R. Cole (*aye*), B. Fay-Pelotte (*aye*) and E. Woods (*aye*).

Carried 4 aye- 0 absent- 0 No- 0 abstain

Buildings and Grounds - Ray Thetga, Jr said he is working on the office space at NES. The Board asked if he had gotten his CDL yet. R. Thetga stated he hasn't had the time to practice driving, the Board suggested he take some time off to get the CDL.

OLD BUSINESS –

Employee handbook -Updates were sent out to Board members to review, the Board to work on Handbook at the end of the year Board Meeting. R. Cole also mentioned that she has an updated emergency plan that she would like to be on the agenda at the next Board Meeting.

TC Shared Services for IT - Still waiting for a quote.

REAP/Hazard Mitigation - REAP meeting is 10/12/22

Hunts Creek - Discussion about contacting Hunts Engineering to complete the Hunts Creek Project and looking at different methods of fixing the bank. The Board talked about putting out an RFP for engineering services instead of a rescope. R. Cole requested an extension from FEMA and most likely won't hear if it has been accepted until the end of the year. The Board discussed if the Town Attorney had written a letter to Doak Engineering terminating their services and if the Town had a signed contract with them, B. Fay-Pelotte to follow up with the Town Attorney.

NES - Ahwaga Flooring said that they may be able to get a better deal on flooring that is \$600.00 less than the estimated price. Framing is up and things are moving along.

Budget - The Board discussed the budget and the ability to purchase new highway equipment when a truck becomes available.

OTHER OLD BUSINESS –

B. Fay-Pelotte mentioned that the Planning Board is still working on a new updated fee and fine schedule.

MOTION TO ACCEPT REPORTS AND PAY BILLS -

Supervisor's Report - Was submitted and is filed in the Clerk's Office.

CEO Report - Was submitted and is filed in the Clerk's Office.

DCO Report - Not submitted

Historian Report - Was submitted and is filed in the Clerk's Office.

Justice Reports - Was submitted and is filed in the Clerk's Office.

Town Clerk Report - Was submitted and is filed in the Clerk's Office.

Abstract #9-2022

General Fund	#459-502	\$ 72,862.03
General Town Outside	#464-500	\$ 872.80
Highway Townwide	#178-189	\$ 11,367.48
Highway Outside	#145-157	\$ 46,466.86
Sewer	#111-119	\$ 8,483.93
Water	#111-119	\$ 10,476.77
<u>Total</u>		<u>\$ 105,529.87</u>

Motion to accept reports and pay bills made by B. Fay-Pelotte 2nd by R. Cole.

Roll Vote;

B. Middleton (aye), R. Cole (aye), B. Fay-Pelotte (aye) and E. Woods (aye).

Carried 4 aye- 0 absent- 0 No- 0 abstain

ADDITIONAL PUBLIC COMMENTS -

K. Hart Baker would like to take pictures of the Board at the next board meeting. She had a question regarding an appropriation code for the Historian. She had a donor that wanted to commit to send the Town Historian money every year for ten years for the Historian to use as they saw fit. The Board stated that the Town could not accept donations and that maybe the Historian should look into establishing a 501 c3 or c4. Discussion followed that the Historian could go under the "umbrella" of the Cady Library.

EXECUTIVE SESSION –

Motion to go into executive session at 8:00 pm to discuss legal considerations pursuant to public officers law section 105 made by B. Fay Pelotte 2nd by R. Cole .

Roll Vote;

B. Middleton (aye), R. Cole (aye), B. Fay-Pelotte (aye) and E. Woods (aye).

Carried 4 aye- 0 absent- 0 No- 0 abstain

Motion to go out of executive session at 8:32 pm made by B. Fay-Pelotte 2nd by R. Cole.

Roll Vote;

B. Middleton (aye), R. Cole (aye), B. Fay-Pelotte (aye) and E. Woods (aye).

Carried 4 aye- 0 absent- 0 No- 0 abstain

No Action Taken

MOTION TO ADJOURN –

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:32 pm made by B. Fay-Pelotte 2nd by R. Cole.

Roll Vote;

B. Middleton (aye), R. Cole (aye), B. Fay-Pelotte (aye) and E. Woods (aye).

Carried 4 aye- 0 absent- 0 No- 0 abstain

Respectfully Submitted,

Karen Hall

10/14/2022