

Nichols Town Regular Board Meeting
June 13, 2023
7:00 pm

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 (absent), Councilperson Ladd Yost (present), Councilperson Rose Cole (absent), and Councilperson Brenda Fay-Pelotte (present).

ALSO PRESENT;

Kem Hart-Baker, Will Heveland, Bob Nugent, and Marcy Hill (Town Clerk).

MINUTES

Motion to approve the revised minutes from May 9th made by B. Fay-Pelotte 2nd by L. Yost

Roll Vote; B. Middleton(absent), R. Cole (absent), B. Fay-Pelotte (aye), Ladd Yost (aye), and E. Woods(aye).

Carried 3 aye- 2 absent- 0 No- 0- abstain

Public Comments: If you would like to speak there will be a 2-minute time length per person, the board will consider your comments, if warranted we will respond at a later time.

None

New Business:

- Town Court Clerks - They will be hiring two new part time people.
Alexis Lamb and Karen Wells

Motion to approve the hiring of the two new court clerks B. Fay-Pelotte 2nd by E. Woods

Roll Vote; B. Middleton(absent), R. Cole (absent), B. Fay-Pelotte (aye), Ladd Yost (aye), and E. Woods(aye).

Carried 3 aye- 2 absent- 0 No- 0- abstain

Motion to approve the \$495 REAP donation was made by R. Cole 2nd by L. Yost

Roll Vote; B. Middleton(absent), R. Cole (absent), B. Fay-Pelotte (aye), Ladd Yost (aye), and E. Woods(aye).

Carried 3 aye- 2 absent- 0 No- 0- abstain

- Dog Control – Contract signed and Owego is now officially handling DCO issues.
- **A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE PAYMENT IN ADVANCE OF AUDIT OF CLAIMS”**

At a meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Nichols held at 139 Ro-Ki Blvd, Nichols, New York the 13th day June, 2023, the following resolution was offered and seconded:

WHEREAS, the Town of Nichols authorizes the payment of recurring charges, such as payments that unless paid in advance would incur late charges, payments offering discounts and all other such claims as previously authorized for payment by the Town Board;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board hereby authorizes payments of said claims in advance of audit of claims.

RESOLVED that this resolution will take effect immediately.

Motion to approve Resolution #8 B. Fay-Pelotte 2nd by E. Woods

Roll Vote; B. Middleton(absent), R. Cole (absent), B. Fay-Pelotte (aye), Ladd Yost (aye), and E. Woods(aye).

Carried 3 aye- 2 absent- 0 No- 0- abstain

Supplies for the use of 139 Roki for the community use of the building for emergencies. A list will be discussed at the next meeting.

Quick Books for the court clerks. Court clerks are doing all their recording keeping by "hand: It was suggested that the court clerks look into a quick books like system. The library should look into this also.

Kirby Park Cameras

There was a lengthy discussion regarding how much the Town should assist with this. This discussion was then tabled until the next meeting.

Summer Recreation – Tioga Central

Motion to approve the donation to Tioga Central Schools for their Summer Recreation program

B. Fay-Pelotte 2nd by L. Yost

Roll Vote; B. Middleton(absent), R. Cole (absent), B. Fay-Pelotte (aye), Ladd Yost (aye), and E. Woods(aye).

Carried 3 aye- 2 absent- 0 No- 0- abstain

Air Conditioning Quotes- Martin Plumbing & Heating

Motion to approve the quote 15040 for the LG 9594 (+ prevailing wage) for air conditioning for the clerk's office B. Fay-Pelotte 2nd by L. Yost

Roll Vote; B. Middleton(absent), R. Cole (absent), B. Fay-Pelotte (aye), Ladd Yost (aye), and E. Woods(aye).

Carried 3 aye- 2 absent- 0 No- 0- abstain

Locks –

One quote from YEL-Help has been received still waiting on another from Bennedum's.

Tree Removal – Nichols Cemetery

Five trees need to be cut and cleaned up. Ray will look into getting more quotes.

Playground chips – Ray will get with the tree services that is working for the Village of Nichols and will haul the chips to the playground.

Local Law #4 – Read only.

The public hearing for this will be before the next board meeting in July.

Insurance Coverage- Carriage House

Appraisal of items and replacement were discussed.

Committee Reports: Reap – Nothing new to report
 Hazard Mitigation – The 139 Roki location will be a designated location.
 LEPC – Good [News: They](#) can use our current hydraulic survey. We are
 now with Hunt’s Engineering Firm.
 Council Of Government Migrant Sheltering. Most towns declared at
 State of Emergency.

Departments:

Highway:

Will spoke to concerns with the backhoe. There is an issue after the hole in the filter was discovered.
He will look into taking it to Coleman’s in Barton.

It was also suggested that we look into leasing a backhoe.

Water/Sewer:

No Report

Buildings/Grounds:

Punch List items were discussed.

Highway Garage - HVAC system valve needs to be replaced. Air temp has been out and quoted a price
of \$1938.

*Motion to approve the HVAC system valve repair at the new highway garage – E. Woods 2nd by L. Yost
Roll Vote; B. Middleton(absent), R. Cole (absent), B. Fay-Pelotte (aye), Ladd Yost (aye), and E. Woods(aye).
Carried 3 aye- 2 absent- 0 No- 0 abstain*

Historian

Coxe Manor plaque has been found. Kem is still working on the original location so that it can be
placed back there.

Bicentennial Celebration:

The committee continues to meet and welcome new members and ideas.

Accept vouchers and pay bills:

Motion to accept vouchers and pay bills made by B. Fay Pelotte 2nd by B. Fay-Pelotte

*Roll Vote; B. Middleton(absent), R. Cole (absent), B. Fay-Pelotte (aye), Ladd Yost (aye), and E. Woods (aye).
Carried 3 aye- 2 absent 0 No- 0 abstain*

Executive Session -

Motion to move to Executive Session made by E. Woods 2nd by L. Yost

*Roll Vote; B. Middleton (absent), R. Cole (absent, B. Fay-Pelotte (aye), Ladd Yost (aye), and E. Woods (aye).
Carried 3 aye- 2 absent 0 No- 0 abstain*

Motion to reconvene into regular session made by B. Fay-Pelotte 2nd by Ladd Yost

Roll Vote; B. Middleton(aye), R. Cole (aye), B. Fay-Pelotte (aye), Ladd Yost (aye), and E. Woods (absent).
Carried 5 aye- 0 absent- 0 No- 0 abstain

Motion to adjourn at 8:45 PM made by E. Woods 2nd by L. Yost

Roll Vote; B. Middleton (absent), R. Cole (absent), B. Fay-Pelotte (aye), Ladd Yost (aye), and E. Woods (aye).
Carried 3 aye- 2 absent 0 No- 0 abstain

Next Meeting: July 11, 2023

Respectfully Submitted,
Marcy Hill
6/13/2023