

TOWN OF BOLIVAR

Regular Meeting Minutes

May 17, 2022

1. A Regular Monthly Meeting of the Town of Bolivar, NY was held on, May 17th, 2022, at 6:00 p.m., at the Bolivar Town Hall.
2. Call to order by Supervisor Gould with the Pledge of Allegiance 6:01 pm
3. Present:

Ricky Gould	Supervisor
Bud Wittenburg	Councilperson
Ed Majot	Councilperson
Alyn MacDonell	Councilperson
Bradley Schiralli	Highway Superintendent
Amanda Gilliland	Town Clerk
4. Absent:

Randy Iantorno	Councilperson/Deputy Supervisor
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5. **Guests Present and Public Concerns:** Trisha Cole – 574 S Main St – came to talk to the Board regarding 576 S Main St. The house has been condemned and the owner is not taking care of the lawn. The neighbor, on the other side, has been mowing the front lawn but the back lawn is extremely high and rodents have been seen living in the foundation/house. Supervisor Gould advised that the only way the Town can take action is when and if the house is deemed unsafe/hazardous to the public. The Town will see if the code enforcement officer can reach out the owner regarding mowing. Ms. Cole left the meeting at 6:20. Next to address the Board was Jason Isaman – 7772 St Rt 417 W – to ask to have the Board consider him as the next code enforcement officer. His company actually works with Allegany County with the Land Bank. He recently took the code enforcement exam, to help further his knowledge when dealing with houses. He asked the Board to consider to have the Town contract with his company rather than him becoming an employee. Supervisor Gould did make him aware that he would then not be eligible for NYS retirement. Mr. Isaman stated he understood. Mr. Gould told Mr. Isaman that the code enforcement position is on the agenda for the evening and that he is more than welcomed to stay for the rest of the meeting. Mr. Isaman did decide to leave at 6:45.
6. **APPROVAL OF APRIL 19th, 2022 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**
The minutes of the April 19th, 2022 meeting were read by the Board. A motion was made by Councilperson Majot, seconded by Councilperson MacDonell, to accept the minutes.
Aye – 4, Nay – 0. Absent – 1. Motion carried.
7. **PAYMENT OF BILLS:**
On a motion of Councilperson MacDonell, seconded by Councilperson Majot, that the bills be paid in the following amounts:

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GENERAL FUND A Abstract, Vouchers #93-116	\$7,050.63
GENERAL FUND B Abstract, Vouchers #6	\$50.00
HIGHWAY FUND DA Abstract, Vouchers #42	\$336.00
HIGHWAY FUND DB Abstract, Vouchers #11-15	\$11,551.86
TOTAL	<u>\$18,988.49</u>

Aye – 4, Nay – 0. Absent – 1. Motion carried.

8. APPROVAL OF BOLIVAR RICHBURG WATER DISTRICT ABSTRACTS FOR MAY 2022 TOTALING \$9,017.29:

On a motion of Supervisor Gould, seconded by Councilperson Majot, to approve the abstract for the Bolivar Richburg Water District.

Aye – 4, Nay – 0. Absent – 1. Motion carried.

- Water board news:

Approval of the 2022-2023 Bolivar Richburg Water System budget:

On a motion of Supervisor Gould, seconded by Councilperson MacDonell, the 2022-2023 Bolivar Richburg Water System budget was approved.

Aye – 4, Nay – 0. Absent – 1. Motion carried.

Account balances:

CLASS (as of 5/12/22): \$334,068.61

Community Bank (as of 5/12/22): \$54,160.38

9. REPORT OF TOWN OFFICIALS:

- Highway: Highway Superintendent Brad Schiralli gave his report to the Board.
Excavator. After doing research and asking a lot of questions to other townships, most townships are running steel pad excavators. I did get a quote for bolt on composite pads for the excavator we are looking at the link belt x3-80 the cost will be \$14,000. I feel this would not be feasible to go this route? The link belt excavator we are looking at, with around 2000 hours from George & Swede, is priced at \$65,000 I feel will be the best thing for our buck. This will allow us to purchase this excavator as well as look at a backhoe. I have information on that's coming off from lease from national fuel. The backhoe is a 2014 JCB with only 800 hours. This backhoe is priced out at \$55,000. Once we feel we are serious about this backhoe we can make an offer to see if they will accept our offer. If you have any questions on any of this information, please let me know. The Board gave the ok to move forward with purchasing a loader/backhoe and excavator. Bid specifications will be drawn up and advertised. The bid opening will be at the next board meeting, June 21st.
In the cemetery, we have been working on topsoiling and seeding back areas that we had dug graves or made ruts with equipment over the winter. We are currently working on the water, trying to get it up and going today. The fountain will be going only for Memorial Day. As far as the flag, I will

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contact the legion to see if they have a flag to put up, or we will put one up? The Town will just purchase a flag to make sure one is up. Also in the cemetery, there are some trees that may need to come down.

I have been looking into Old State Road talking with property owners along with Mark Collins. The two property owners, at the far east end, have no interest in reopening their section. I talked with Mark Collins and he said he will be getting a hold of some of the property owners that are on the west end of the road to see what their take is on reopening that section.

We have not gotten swamp mats for the cemetery yet? I have been working on sending credit application in to Admar equipment. I will have to go to Rochester to get these mats because the shipping will be costly. I will be up that way with my personal vehicle sometime I can pick them up.

We will be working on the water tanks located on Olive Street digging the debris that has fallen off the bank onto the fence that protects the tank. We currently have the town of Portville's e55 mini excavator to do this project. I talked with the property owner about pushing the fallen debris over the bank as we did before. He does not want any additional dirt or fill pushed on to his property. Therefore, we will probably have to haul this material away to a dump site.

Equipment mileage and hours were also given to the Board.

- **Code Enforcement**- No report for April submitted. There were 1 building permit application in April. Taylor; 7389 Scott Hollow; house addition and garage. (John has the application)
John Krist has tendered his resignation. He will continue to work until a replacement is found.
- **Town Clerk**: The Clerk report for April was handed out to the board. Check #1989 for \$3,362.58 was deposited in the General A Fund. Check #1990 for \$150.00 was deposited in General B Fund. Also issued by the clerk's Office were 4 permanent handicap permits and 2 notarized documents.

PAID TO SUPERVISOR FOR GENERAL A FUND	\$3,362.58
PAID TO SUPERVISOR FOR GENERAL B FUND	\$150.00
PAID TO NYS DEC FOR DECALS	\$217.28
PAID TO NYS AG & MARKETS FOR ANIMAL POPULATION CONTROL FUND	\$28.00
PAID TO NYS HEALTH DEPT FOR MARRIAGE LICENSE	\$22.50
PAID TO COUNTY TREASURER FOR LANDFILL	\$114.00
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	\$3,894.36

On a motion of Councilperson Majot, seconded by Councilperson Wittenburg, to approve the Clerk's Report for April.

Aye – 4, Nay – 0. Absent – 1. Motion carried.

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- **Justice:** Justice Gilliland submitted his monthly report to the Board for the month of April. Check #1006 for \$1,211.00 was deposited into the General A fund.
- **Dog Control:** Dog Control Office Katie Miszuk submitted her reports for April.

10. OLD BUSINESS:

- Old State Road update: Highway Superintendent Schiralli talked about this in his highway report
- Code enforcement: update the Local Law for Code enforcement due to new adopted regulations. The Law needs to be done before December 2022. Board needs to decide on Alternatives. The Board was given copies of the law to go over the alternative options.

11. NEW BUSINESS:

- Code enforcement – The Board discussed the proposal of Mr. Isaman, to hire his company 4th Sector NY, to be the code enforcement.

A motion was made by Councilperson MacDonell, seconded by Councilperson Majot, to off the code enforcement position to 4th Sector NY, provided that Mr. Isaman has passed the code course.

Aye – 4, Nay – 0. Absent – 1. Motion carried.

- 12.** A motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 p.m. was made by Councilperson MacDonell, seconded by Councilperson Majot.
Aye – 4, Nay – 0. Absent – 1. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Amanda Gilliland
Town Clerk