

TOWN OF BOLIVAR

Regular Meeting Minutes

October 15, 2024

1. A Regular Monthly Meeting of the Town of Bolivar, NY was held on, October 15th, 2024, at 6:00 p.m., at the Bolivar Town Hall.

2. Call to order by Supervisor Gould with the Pledge of Allegiance 6:00 pm

3. Present:

Ricky Gould	Supervisor
Randy Iantorno	Councilperson/Deputy Supervisor
Bud Wittenburg	Councilperson
Alyn MacDonell	Councilperson
Ed Majot	Councilperson
Bradley Schiralli	Highway Superintendent
Amanda Gilliland	Town Clerk

4. Absent: None

5. **Guests Present and Public Concerns:** Sue & Leroy Williams – Richburg – came to speak to the Board regarding the mowing at the cemetery. They had a question about mowing their plots themselves, as they were told they could not due to a liability issue. Supervisor Gould said that he would have to reach out to the lawyer to confirm. Left after speaking.

Chris Taylor – Scott Hollow Rd – He spoke to the Board regarding the sluice pipe by his home. He requested that the Town have an engineer come out to look at the sluice pipe to see if it can take the proper amount of water. States that he had a lot of damage due to flooding. Highway Superintendent Brad Schiralli said he would contact the county engineer to come out and take a look at the sluice pipe. Mr. Taylor asked what would the next course of action be. The night of the flood, there was 3-5 inches of rain in one hour. The Board asked Mr. Taylor to provide pictures of that night. The Board stated that after the engineer comes out, Mr. Schiralli will contact Mr. Taylor and then go from there. Mr. Taylor left after speaking.

Dawn DeBock – Refinery Rd – States that she lost over 7 feet of back yard during flood. Also states that the creek water flow path has changed, and whenever it rains, more of the bank is washed out. Highway Superintendent will check to see if it is in the NYS right of way, as the sluice pipe is not the Town of Bolivar's. Mr. Schiralli will let Ms. DeBock know what he finds out. Left after speaking.

Doug Moore – First St – observing but did have a suggestion regarding the cemetery. States if it was regulated that artificial flowers and pots, etc. were not allowed or only allowed in a certain area, then weed whacking would probably be easier to do. The Board said that they are already in the regulations that any of that has to be within the 30 inches allowed at the top of the lot.

Lisa Morris – St Rt 417 – observing but did have some questions about what can be shared with the public. Supervisor Gould stated that the Town is waiting for a response from the Town Lawyer. Mrs. Morris also said she would like to see the draft minutes posted to the website and asked about committee meetings and if they were open to the public and whom to contact with a question, specifically the pool and water. The board informed her to contact the Village of Bolivar in regards to the pool and the Town Clerk in regards to water.

Justin Putnam – Wirt – came in to discuss the cemetery with the Board and provide a copy of his insurance for this year. Left after speaking.

6. APPROVAL OF SEPTEMBER 17th, 2024 PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES

The minutes of the September 17th, 2024 public hearing were read by the Board. A motion was made by Councilperson Iantorno, seconded by Councilperson Majot, to accept the minutes.

Aye – 5, Nay – 0. Motion carried.

7. APPROVAL OF SEPTEMBER 17th, 2024 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

The minutes of the September 17th, 2024 meeting were read by the Board. A motion was made by Councilperson MacDonell, seconded by Councilperson Iantorno, to accept the minutes.

Aye – 5, Nay – 0. Motion carried.

8. PAYMENT OF BILLS:

On a motion of Councilperson Iantorno, seconded by Councilperson Majot, that the bills be paid in the following amounts:

GENERAL FUND A Abstract, Vouchers #175-191	\$4,872.70
GENERAL FUND B Abstract, Vouchers #8	\$
HIGHWAY FUND DA Abstract, Vouchers #64-68	\$2,300.59
HIGHWAY FUND DB Abstract, Vouchers #51-54	\$9,246.60
TOTAL	\$16,419.89

Aye – 5, Nay – 0. Motion carried.

9. APPROVAL OF BOLIVAR RICHBURG WATER DISTRICT ABSTRACTS FOR OCTOBER 2024 TOTALING \$5,513.92:

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

Aye – 5, Nay – 0. Motion carried.

- Water board news:

RESOLUTION 8-2024 TO APPROVE THE SET DATE TO REPORT DELINQUENT WATER AND SEWER RENTALS TO BE LEVIED ON THE TOWN TAX ROLL TO NOVEMBER 1ST:

On a motion made by Councilperson MacDonell, seconded by Councilperson Majot, to approve the above resolution.

Aye – MacDonell, Aye – Majot, Aye – Gould, Aye – Iantorno, Aye – Wittenburg, Nay – None. Motion carried.

RESOLVED, the above date was approved.

10. REPORT OF TOWN OFFICIALS:

- **Highway:** Highway Superintendent Brad Schiralli gave his report to the Board. Town Highway Department has been prioritizing work for the cleanup of the September 21st flooding. This event has done significant damage to sluice pipes, ditches and driveway approaches on the following roads:

Horse Run Road

Miller Hollow

Mead Hollow

Anderson Hollow

Refinery Road

Willow Brook Road.

The Board did ask if there were pictures of any of the damage.

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Mr. Schiralli spoke with Dawn Sutfin from the New York State DOT about the use of chips money to help pay for a brush head for the excavator. She explained that if it has a 10-year life span that yes, CHIPS money can be used to help pay for a brush head. Waiting to receive quotes on cutting the three big pine trees that are along the back of the cemetery maintenance building.

No other work has been done at the pool since we installed the weir, but did look at some catch basins to purchase for the handicap parking lot by the funeral home to help prevent water from running into the property.

Mr. Schiralli also updated the truck mileage and equipment hours for the Board.

- **Code Enforcement:** No report for September submitted. 3 building permit applications: Combs, Timothy – 7388 St Rt 417 -16’x19’ pavilion; Patrick, Dalton – 6152 Cnty Rd 18 – larger sliding glass door install; Skinner, Don – 75 Prospect St – Pole barn
- **Town Clerk:** The Clerk report for September was handed out to the board. Check #2110 for \$2,435.40 was deposited in the General A Fund. Check #2111 for \$200.00 was deposited in the General B Fund. Also issued by the clerk’s Office were 2 permanent handicap permit and 2 notarized documents.

PAID TO SUPERVISOR FOR GENERAL A FUND	\$2,435.40
PAID TO SUPERVISOR FOR GENERAL B FUND	\$200.00
PAID TO NYS DEC FOR DECALS	\$1,878.10
PAID TO NYS AG & MARKETS FOR ANIMAL POPULATION CONTROL FUND	\$20.00
PAID TO NYS HEALTH DEPT FOR MARRIAGE LICENSE	\$22.50
PAID TO COUNTY TREASURER FOR LANDFILL	\$38.00
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	\$4,594.00

motion made by Councilperson Iantorno, seconded by Councilperson MacDonell to approve the clerk’s report for September.

- **Justice:** Justice Gilliland submitted his monthly report to the Board for the month of September. Check #1038 for \$1,606.00 was deposited into the General A fund.
- **Dog Control:** No report submitted September.

11. OLD BUSINESS:

- Town lawyer – **emailed signed contract and start date. Waiting for response**
- NYMIR inspection: update? Highway Superintendent Schiralli states that there is only the lock out tag out left to do. And he will get that done.
- Cemetery: the board will go over the maintenance agreement at the next meeting and make changes before the job goes out to bid. Mr. Schiralli will also get some signs posted that says that to please take garbage with you as no garbage cans will be available.
- Credit card: On a motion made by Supervisor Gould, seconded by Councilperson Wittenburg, to approve to apply for a Community Bank business credit card. Aye – 5, Nay – 0. Motion carried.

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- Teamster contract: will need to set up meeting with union, possibly on a Tues since union representative states he cannot meet on a Monday.
- Budget: Preliminary budget will be ready soon. Will set the public hearing to adopt budget for November 19, 2024 at 6pm

12. NEW BUSINESS

- No new business

- 13.** A motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:17 p.m. was made by Councilperson Iantorno, seconded by Councilperson MacDonell.
Aye – 5, Nay – 0. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,
Amanda Gilliland,
Town Clerk