**TOWN OF SARANAC**

**BOARD MEETING**

**October 9, 2023**

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM by the presiding officer at the

Town of Saranac Town Hall

**MEMBERS** **PRESENT** **ABSENT**

Timothy R. Napper, Supervisor X

Jerry Delaney, Councilor X

Michele Petrashune. Councilor X

Tracy Eggleston, Councilor X

James Terry, Councilor X

Also in attendance: Steve McKenzie, Julie Cane, Jenny Lou Monty, Scott Waldron, Bonnie Snider and Lisa Racette

1. **Pledge of Allegiance**
2. **This meeting is being recorded.**
3. **General Questions, Comments, Petitions from the Floor**

Bonnie Snider wished to thank the Highway Department for the work they completed on her driveway, she was very appreciative. She indicated that there was one small section that would need a little more patchwork in the future.

She also wished to follow up with the board on her last complaint of not receiving the enhanced star credit. At their suggestion she spoke with the Assessor about it, it was determined that he had sent in the wrong form and is now in fact trying to get it straightened out.

1. **Correspondence**

A. CBDG application is moving along, formal closeout can now begin.

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A. Ambulance Update – Supervisor Napper & Councilor Petrashune met with the Village, it appears there is a fair amount of disagreement between the Saranac Fire District and the other entities. It looks like a very large increase to the fire district. Another meeting is scheduled for tomorrow night.

B. FEMA Updates- Discussion held, will know more after tomorrow.

C. JCEO Update- Supervisor indicated JCEO was going to send us more documentation as to why they would like us to raise our contribution by $2,000 the coming year. Between now and the finalized budget we will have to decide how to handle it.

D. CSEA Contract – Supervisor indicated very minor changes were made to clean up things that were left out. One of the things was the only job description noted was MEO. It doesn’t list temporary employees or Motor Equipment Mechanic Operator. The memorandum of understanding has been signed and back wages paid.

E. Reuse of Old Firehouse – Discussion held as to what can be done with the old firehouse. The inside is not in great shape, electrical was working in the spring but per the maintenance workers is only working on and off now. The building has mold inside and a terrible mildew smell. At some point, we will need to decide what to do with the building. Councilor Eggleston will check out the building when he has time.

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1. **Highway**

A. Road Repairs -

B. Shoulders

C.

D.

1. **Reports**
2. Town Clerk - **Resolution 114-2023 Accept the Town Clerks Report for the Month of September 2023**. Motion by Jerry, second by Tracy- All in favor
3. Water districts –
4. Redford- Access Repairs – Supervisor indicated he had spoken with a contractor who indicated the number would be higher than what we were hoping for. FEMA would be in favor of getting a better fix on ditches, so they do not screw up in the future. Down further where the washouts were the contractor stated that it would be a separate type of project. Supervisor indicated he did not believe that would be acceptable under FEMA. Supervisor asked whether the board wanted to go out for proposals. Councilor Delaney suggested we wait until we know exactly what we want done so all contractors/proposals are on the same page. Supervisor indicated we would do a scope of work and next meeting gather everyone's input and go from there.
5. Standish – -
6. Saranac – Water Hook-ups

The Saranac Methodist Church has indicated that they intend to sell their parsonage. They feel that their current well has salt contamination and therefore need to hook-up to the Saranac Water District. The water district would be responsible for tapping into the water supply and installing a curb valve. The quote for the curb value was over $4,000. It was indicated that we should reach out to the Village of Dannemora to see if they could help with a shared service.

1. Town Crier –
2. Tax Collector –
3. Assessor –
4. Code Officer – Ray LeDuc submitted a quote of $350 for the mitigation of existing programs on his old computer to the new one. As it is necessary to have this system operable the board were all in favor.
5. Dog Control Officer –
6. Community Outreach program –
7. Building –
8. Historian –
9. Recreation -

a. Ball Field Fence + Base paths – The fence and clay at the Bowen Road Park ballfield has been completed.

b.

c.

1. Capital projects –
2. **Resolution 115 -2023 Authorization to Pay Audited Warrant dated 10/9/2023**

**Motion by Michele, second by James – All in favor**

1. **Resolution 116-2023 Accept the minutes of the previous meeting dated 9/25/23**

**Motion by Tracey, second by Jerry – All in favor**

1. **Resolution -2023**
2. **Other – Cub Scouts are having trouble getting sufficient WIFI on our public system.**
3. **Unfinished Business**
4. **New Business**
5. **Questions, Comments, Petitions from the Floor**

Lisa Racette advised there would be a meeting at the Town Hall on October 26, at 6:00 PM to discuss the trunk or treat event on October 29, 2023

1. **Adjournment @ 6:32 PM – Motion by Tracy, second by Jerry – All in favor**

**Board Meeting October 23, at 6:00 PM at Town Hall**

**Board Meeting November 13, at 6:00 PM at Town Hall**

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Debbie Pellerin**

**Town Clerk**