

**Town of Northumberland
Town Board Meeting
January 4, 2024**

The Regular Monthly Meeting of the Northumberland Town Board was called to order @ 8:20 AM by Supervisor Willard Peck. Following the salute to the flag, roll call was taken. Those attending included Supervisor Willard Peck; Councilman Paul Bolesh; Councilman John DeLisle; Councilman George Hodgson and Councilwoman Patricia Bryant. Also attending were Clerk Denise Murphy; Town Attorney David Brennan and Highway Supt Richard Coffinger.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There were no comments from the public.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Councilman George Hodgson made a motion to approve minutes of the December 7, 2023 Regular Monthly Meeting. Councilman John DeLisle seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

1. Bacon Hill Bonanza Road Race: The Northumberland Town Board received a letter from Jennifer Thomas and the Bacon Hill Bonanza Race Committee requesting permission to host the Bacon Hill Bonanza Road Race on Saturday, April 27, 2024. The race will start at 9:30 AM and the 5 K and 10K Races will start at 10:00 AM and be finished by Noon. Jennifer Thomas stated that once again they would like to request permission to close Stonebridge Road to traffic that day from 9:00 AM until 12 Noon. Mrs. Thomas stated that a Safety Plan will be submitted to the Town for this event. Councilman Paul Bolesh made a motion supporting the Bacon Hill Bonanza Race on Saturday, April 27, 2024, and to close a portion of Stonebridge Road to traffic on April 27, 2024, from 9:00 AM – 12 Noon. The Bacon Hill Bonanza Race Committee will submit a Safety Plan to the Building inspector prior to the event. Councilwoman Patricia Bryant seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

2. Schuylerville Stallions: The Northumberland Town Board received a letter from Dan McQuay, Schuylerville Stallions General Manager, regarding Schuyler Park Enhancements; Permission to Proceed. The Schuylerville Stallions Baseball Club is requesting permission to upgrade the dugouts on the 90 foot baseball diamond at Schuyler Park. Mr. McQuay states the current dugouts are not large enough to accommodate a team of twelve young men and their gear. The Stallion Baseball Club would like to do this as a community project so students can obtain community credit needed for many different organizations. They are proposing completing this project at no costs to the Towns. Councilman John DeLisle stated that the Committee for “Friends of Schuyler Park” will be discussing this request at their next meeting. It was the consensus of the Town Board Members to hold off making any decisions until after the “Friends of Schuyler Park” Committee meet. Councilman DeLisle sits on this Committee and report back to the Town Board.

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3. Dog Control Officers Report: Ed Cross, Dog Control Officer submitted his report for December 22024. Mr. Cross answered 4 complaints, brought 1 dog to the Animal Shelter, issued 2 Warnings, issued 1 Court Summons and had 1 bite case. Mr. Cross also submitted his entire 2023 summary. Mr. Cross answered 45 Complaints, brought 7 dogs to the Animal Shelter, issued 24 Warnings, 5 Summons, had 11 Bite Cases and 1 dog was surrendered.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Fuel Bid: Councilman Paul Bolesh made a motion authorizing the Town Clerk to place a Bid Notice in both the Post Star and Saratogian for sealed bids for Diesel and Unleaded Gasoline, returnable by February 7, 2024. Councilman John DeLisle seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

2. Sewer Bid: The Sewer bid for Sewer District #1 is set to expire March 31, 2024 unless the Town Board exercises their right to extend the contract an additional year. Councilman George Hodgson introduced Resolution # 24 of 2024

Whereas, on February 24, 2022 Morning Star Excavation & Septic submitted a signed bid (dated February 23, 2022) to the Town of Northumberland to complete the pumping of up to 22 – 1,000 gallon septic tanks yearly (plus any on an as needed basis) and 1 – 2,000 gallon septic tank located in Sewer District #1 on a portion of Third Street, Fourth Street and a portion of Kobor Road as well as the Highway Garage at 42 Leonard Street and the Town Hall located at 17 Catherine Street in the Hamlet of Gansevoort for the price of \$226.00 per 1,000 gallons, \$452.00 per 2,000 gallon or a lump sum of \$5,424.00, and

Whereas, the Town of Northumberland Town Board at their March 10, 2022 Town Board Meeting passed a Resolution accepting Morning Star Excavation & Septic bid of \$226.00 per 1,000 gallons, \$452.00 per 2,000 gallon or a lump sum of \$5,424.00 and it was further resolved that the price is good from time of award until March 31, 2024. This price includes exposing the septic tank cover and any additional hoses needed to reach the septic tank from the driveway or road. The project is subject to prevailing wages.

Be it Resolved, the Town of Northumberland Town Board at their January 4, 2024 Town Board Meeting opts to exercise the Town’s right to renew the contract for one additional year as outlined in the formal bid dated February, 2022 and be it further

Resolved, pursuant to the Town Board’s approval of the Extension of the bid submitted bid, Morning Star Excavation & Septic, Supervisor Willard H. Peck provides the following Execution of the Extension of the Sewer Pumping Contract binding Morning Star Excavation & Septic to complete the work as outlined in their Bid dated February 23, 2022. Councilwoman Patricia Bryant seconded the introduction of Resolution #24 of 2024

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Supervisor Willard Peck – “Aye”
Councilman Paul Bolesh – “Aye”
Councilman John DeLisle – “Aye”
Councilman George Hodgson – “Aye”
Councilwoman Patricia Bryant – “Aye”

Resolution # 24 of 2024 adopted

3. Waste Removal Services and Recycling Bid: The Waste Removal Bid has expired. Councilman John DeLisle made a motion to solicit sealed bids for Waste Removal Service and Recycling at the Town Transfer Station for fiscal years 2024 – 2026 returnable February 6, 2024. Councilwoman Patricia Bryant seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Comprehensive Plan: Supervisor Peck asked everyone to please come to February’s Town Board Meeting with any proposed changes to the “Draft” Comprehensive Plan.
2. Stonebridge Farm PUD Update: Attorney David Brennan will talk with the Attorney for Stonebridge Farm to see if they wish to come to February’s Town Board Meeting to discuss updates/changes to the PUD.
3. Waste Management: Supervisor Peck stated that he will contact Waste Management/Green Ridge regarding their application with NYS DEC to revise their Permit.

DESIGNATIONS

1. Approval of Vouchers: Councilman Paul Bolesh introduced Resolution # 25 of 2024

BE IT RESOLVED, the following Vouchers to be paid as presented:

A (General Fund) Vouchers # 1 - # 15 Total: \$ 21,353.95
DA (Highway Fund) Vouchers # 1 - # 18 Total: \$ 15,806.66

Councilwoman Patricia Bryant seconded the introduction of Resolution # 25 of 2024.

Supervisor Willard Peck – “Aye”
Councilman Paul Bolesh – “Aye”
Councilman John DeLisle – “Aye”
Councilman George Hodgson – “Aye”
Councilwoman Patricia Bryant – “Aye” Resolution #59 of 2023 Adopted

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Councilman Paul Bolesh made a motion @ 9:05 AM to adjourn the Regular Monthly Meeting.
Councilman John DeLisle seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise Murphy
Town Clerk