THE REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING OF THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF NORTH COLLINS WAS HELD ON WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8TH, 2021 AT 7:00PM IN THE NORTH COLLINS TOWN HALL, 10569 MAIN STREET, NORTH COLLINS, NEW YORK.

PRESENT: Supervisor John Tobia

Town Clerk

Councilmen: Ellen M. Mathis

Michael W. Perry
Peter Robbins
William Moritz
Lynn M. DiVincenzo

Town Attorney Richard Schaus Highway Supt. David J. Winter

Item 1. Supervisor John Tobia called the meeting to order and led the Pledge to the Flag, and prayer.

Item 2. Approved the August 2021 Meeting Minutes, as previously presented.

MOVED: Peter Robbins SECOND: Mike Perry

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Tobia, Mathis, Perry, Robbins and Moritz. Noes 0. Motion carried.

AUDIT OF BILLS

Item 3. **MOVED**: Ellen Mathis

BE IT RESOLVED that the following claims, as set forth in Abstract # 9 and in the amount of \$61,366.01 are approved for payment by the Town Board:

A# 433,434,435,438,439,440,441,442,444,445,451,454,455,457,462,463,464,465,466,467,469,470, 471,473,474,475,476,477,478,

B# 431,433,436,437,442,452,454,461,468,472,478,

DA# 446,447,448,456,458,478,479,480

DB# 440,441,443,449,450,459

SF#

SR# 453

SW# 432,460

SECOND: Mike Perry

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Tobia, Mathis, Perry, Robbins and Moritz. Noes 0. Motion carried.

Item 4. **VISITORS:**

Jerry from SynchroNet: Gave a proposal for IT Services for the Town of North Collins. Total monthly Support Fee is \$1080.00. Proposal is on file in the Town Clerks Office.

Judy Feltz: Stated that the Red Cross Blood Drive was moved from September 16th to September 23rd.

Ann Moritz: Re: Uncle Franks in New Oregon. They have dead rats in the road and it smells really bad. She asked if the Board would go and take a look at the place to see if it could be condemned. Erie County can put it up for auction, but not until next year or Phil Tremblay can go and see if it is condemnable and get three quotes to knock it down.

MOVED: John Tobia

BE IT RESOLVED, North Collins Town Board requests Code Enforcement to go to property at 10803 New Oregon Road to check out the structure to make sure it's safe.

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, Town Board requests Phil Tremblay to get 3 quotes to demolish the building if needed.

SECONDED: Ellen Mathis

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Tobia, Mathis, Perry, Robbins and Moritz. Noes 0. Motion carried.

June Karbowski: Re: School House 8. School House 8 needs a new sign. Due to COVID they have been closed but will reopen May of 2022. They are asking the Town if they could help with replacing the sign. Also, she would like to see if Natures Pride will mow the School House 8 property.

Georgianne Bowman: She has been asking for iron work to be completed and lighting done at the Museum. John stated that there are problems with the foundation and the place is in need of some work. There is no available parking at the building. Supervisor Tobia's idea is to build a historical building onto the library. Currently, nothing is written in stone but something to look into. It could

go on the market if that's the direction we go. We have the historical society approval. Ellen Mathis: I agree with John, I think more people would visit.

MOTION by William Moritz, seconded by Ellen Mathis to close regular meeting and open Public Hearing at 7:33pm. Carried

Public Hearing - Home Occupancy Law

There are things to be added or taken out.

Peter Robbins - This goes hand & hand with the meeting from the other night

William Moritz - Auto repair shops are small businesses and can go to the Zoning Board for approval

John Tobia - Applications go to the Town Board, then to the Planning Board, then goes back to the Town Board for a Public Hearing.

Peter Robbins - Leave it the way it is without input.

Mr. Winter - Asked what about hobbies, for example like cars.

Richard Schaus explained as long as you're not selling or charging people then it's not a business.

MOTION by Mike Perry, seconded by Peter Robbins, to close public meeting and open Regular Business Meeting hearing at 7:48pm. Carried

Supervisor John Tobia asked if anyone would like to make a motion to approve the Home Occupancy Law – No one made a motion. Home Occupancy Law- not approved.

MOTION by John Tobia, seconded by Peter Robbins, to close regular meeting and open public hearing at 7:48pm. Carried

Public Hearing – Rezoning Sisson Highway from School Street to Genesee Road.

Had a meeting in Langford on September 2nd. The majority of the people do not want a C-2 rezoning. The person who was asking for this sold his business. Do we want to make this area a C-2 Zone? Planning Board-3 people voted for it and 2 voted not in favor.

MOTION by Peter Robbins, seconded by Mike Perry, to Close public meeting and open Regular Business Meeting hearing at 7:53pm. Carried

Supervisor John Tobia asked if anyone would like to make a motion to approve the Rezoning of Sisson Highway – No one made a motion. Rezoning of Sisson Highway - not approved.

Item 5. **HIGHWAY:** Everything is good. Getting ready for snow.

Zach Bergan is here representing highway employees. Talked about their negotiations and wanted the Board to know what is going on. Zach read a letter to the Board.

8:00pm Bid Opening Re: Town Park Landscaping & Maintenance Proposal

We received one bid:

Natures Pride

1 Bid Year 1-3 \$43,000 each, Year 4&5- \$44,000 each

Years Covered: 2022-2026

MOVED: Ellen Mathis

BE IT RESOLVED, North Collins Town Board approves the Bid from Natures Pride: Year 1 \$43,000, Year 2 \$43,000, Year 3 \$ 43,000 Year 4 \$ 44,000, Year 5 \$ 44,000 for years 2022- 2026.

SECONDED: William Moritz

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Tobia, Mathis, Perry, Robbins and Moritz. Noes 0. Motion carried.

Item 6. **CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER:** 4 permits this month- We have cases going to court.

LIBRARY: No report

HISTORIAN: Mrs. Bowman was at meeting to discuss the sale of the historical museum building.

RECREATION: Afterschool Program: They will continue to have registration on line. Currently, we have 20 students signed up. Must continue to follow mask requirements.

Adult Aerobics starts on 9/11 and goes for 6 weeks. Anyone can sign up at www.NCParksandRec.org.

Item 7. COUNCILMEN

Moritz – When we have public hearings please show up. We value your opinion.

Robbins – Talked about people volunteering and is a good thing.

Perry – Painted over the bad language up at the park. No further calls about picking up garbage in the park.

Mathis -

MOVED: Mathis

BE IT RESOLVED, North Collins Town Board approves taking Joseph Alessi and Anthony Olsezewsla off the Constabulary list and adding Michael Perry to the Constabulary list.

SECONDED: Peter Robbins

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Tobia, Mathis, Perry, Robbins and Moritz. Noes 0. Motion carried.

RESOLUTIONS:

1. MOVED: John Tobia

BE IT RESOLVED, the Town Board acknowledges receipt of the Ketchum Road Landfill quarterly report and further directs that a copy of the report be filed with the New York State Department of Environment/Preservation.

SECONDED: Mike Perry

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Tobia, Mathis, Perry, Robbins and Moritz. Noes 0. Motion carried.

2. **MOVED:** Mike Perry

BE IT RESOLVED, the North Collins Town Board will create a reserve account for future work/maintenance in the cemetery and to authorize the movement of \$1000.00 from line B8810.4 to a new reserve account.

SECONDED: William Moritz

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Tobia, Mathis, Perry, Robbins and Moritz. Noes 0. Motion carried.

3. **MOVED:** Mike Perry

WHEREAS; the Assessor Jeneen Hill requests permission to attend the New York State Assessor's Association Annual Conference, Installation and Organizational meeting; and WHEREAS; Assessor Jeneen Hill will be sworn in as the President of the New York State Assessor's Association representing over 900 members throughout New York State; and WHEREAS; said annual conference will be held in Niagara Falls, New York on October 3, 2021 and October 6, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board recognizes Assessor Hill's duties as the New York State Assessors' Association President is to improve the standards of assessment practice; to promote professionalism; to provide a clearing house for the collection and distribution of useful information relating to the assessment of real property; to educate assessing officers; to engage in research and improve assessment technique and practice; to advocate for legislative proposals relating to assessing and taxation; to cooperate with other agencies interested in the improvements of tax administration throughout New York State,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE ITRESOLVED, that the Board of the Town of North Collins shall grant permission to Assessor Jeneen Hill to perform her duties as the president of the New York State Assessors Association and attend said conference, installation and meetings and all appropriate and reasonable expenses shall be paid by the New York State Assessors' Association, and training expenses to be reimbursed by the New York State office of Real Property Tax Services with remaining training expense balance to be split between Town of Evans, Collins and North Collins equally not to exceed \$400.00 per town.

SECONDED: Peter Robbins

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Tobia, Mathis, Perry, Robbins and Moritz. Noes 0. Motion carried.

4. **MOVED**: John Tobia

BE IT RESOLVED, the North Collins Town Board will set a Public Hearing on October 13th at 7:30pm for Community Development Block Grant. Town Board instructed Town Clerk to place notice for public hearing in Dunkirk Observer.

SECONDED: Ellen Mathis

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Tobia, Mathis, Perry, Robbins and Moritz. Noes 0. Motion carried.

5. **MOVED:** John Tobia

BE IT RESOLVED, the North Collins Town Board will set a Public Hearing on October 13th at 7:45pm for Community Development Block Grant for American Cares Act. Town Board

instructed Town Clerk to place notice for public hearing in Dunkirk Observer.

SECONDED: Ellen Mathis

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Tobia, Mathis, Perry, Robbins and Moritz. Noes 0. Motion carried.

6. MOVED: John Tobia

BE IT RESOLVED, The North Collins Town Board will have a budget work session on September 15th at 4:30pm and instructs the Town Clerk to place notices in the Dunkirk Observer

and the Eden North Collins Penny Saver.

SECONDED: Ellen Mathis

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Tobia, Mathis, Perry, Robbins and Moritz. Noes 0. Motion carried.

Item 9. **SUPERVISOR:**

MOTION by Mike Perry, seconded by Ellen Mathis, to accept the Supervisors report for August 2021. Carried

Food Pantry is open on Wednesdays from 1-5pm

Update on Ketchum Road Landfill. Thanks to Mr. Winter for working with the DEC.

Love North Collins weekend coming up.

Will have Hunt Reality for Lawtons Water- They have to call a surveyor. Richard Aronica is unable to do it.

Item 9. **TOWN CLERK:**

Monthly Town Clerks Report: Total Revenues \$4,023.00 Dog \$59.00 DEC \$2300.69,, Marriage, \$90.00, Supervisors \$ \$1573.31.

Dog Control: Reports submitted.

Will be relieving Lawtons Water October 1st

Hunting licenses are on sale.

Last day for DMP's October 1st

Tentative Budget has been submitted to the Town Clerks office.

Holy Spirit Church is having a Chicken BBQ on September 12th.

Item 10. **ATTORNEY:** Already discussed everything on his list.

MOTION by John Tobia, seconded by Ellen Mathis to go into executive session, to discuss employment of a person, and to invite Richard Schaus in at 8:37pm. Carried

MOTION by Mike Perry, seconded by Ellen Mathis, to close executive meeting and open regular meeting at 9:02pm. Carried

Item 11. **ADJOURNMENT. MOTION** to adjourn at 9:02 pm by Mike Perry

Second: William Moritz. Carried.

Respectfully Submitted By,

Lynn DiVincenzo Town Clerk