

**Minutes of the Regular Monthly Meeting
of the
Town Board of the Town of Fabius held at the Town Hall on
Monday, July 16, 2018**

Present:

Mrs. Melanie Vilardi – Supervisor
Mr. James Conway – Councilmember
Mr. Peter Schlicht – Councilmember
Mrs. Deborah Foster - Councilmember
Mr. Paul Brown – Councilmember

Others: Denise Johnson, Town Justice; David Knapp, County Legislator; Sandy Beglinger, Historical Society.

Mrs. Peggy Riker – Town Clerk
Mr. Warren Virgil – Highway Supervisor
Mr. Thomas Chartrand – Bookkeeper
Mr. Michael Decker – Zoning/Codes Officer
Mr. Robert DeMore – Attorney for Town

The meeting was called to order by Mrs. Vilardi at 7:00 P.M.

Motion by Mrs. Foster, seconded by Mr. Conway, to approve the minutes of the last meeting. Motion PASSED – Ayes –5, Nays – 0. Voting aye – Vilardi, Conway, Schlicht, Foster, Brown.

FINANCIAL REPORT: Court fines and franchise fees are ahead year to date.

ZONING REPORT: No report.

HIGHWAY REPORT: • Received a fuel reimbursement check from the Fire District (\$52.70).
• National Grid came to replace the lights at the Community Center but realized they made an error when giving us their quote. They left out several fixtures. They require another \$800 to complete the project. Motion by Mrs. Foster, seconded by Mr. Schlicht, to approve up to \$800 to complete the project. Motion PASSED – Ayes –5, Nays – 0. Voting aye – Vilardi, Conway, Schlicht, Foster, Brown.

HISTORIAN: No report.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY: There were 42 visitors to the Pioneer Museum during the last month.

NEW BUSINESS:

S.O.T.S.: A contract was awarded to Dependable Disposal, to start in a few weeks.

NYSEG Easement: County Legislator David Knapp discussed the easement by NYSEG that would run from Binghamton to Sentinel Heights. National Grid now owns the trail they hope to follow. NYSEG has been going door to door speaking to residents and trying to have them sign a contract to allow the easement to run through their property. A few residents would have to allow NYSEG to take their home, not just a portion of their property. There are 25 properties in Fabius that would be affected by this easement. Mr. Knapp said Onondaga County has joined with Cortland and Broome Counties to form a group to further investigate this issue. As of last week, NYSEG may be backing off a bit. Upstate generates two times the power they use. Downstate may be losing one or more power plants.

Apulia Fire Station: Mr. Knapp was instrumental in acquiring a \$25,000 grant for an illuminated sign for the Apulia Fire Station.

RESOLUTION #2018-2
(Intermunicipal Agreement-Apulia Fire Station Sign)

Upon a motion by Mrs. Foster, seconded by Mr. Conway, the following resolution was
ADOPTED Ayes – 5 Vilardi, Conway, Foster, Schlicht, Brown
Nays - 0

RESOLVED, to approve the Supervisor enter into a Municipal Agreement with the County of Onondaga for a \$25,000 grant to pay for an illuminated sign for the Apulia Fire Station.

Justice Court: Mrs. Denise Johnson mentioned the 2018 JCAP grant is open to applications.

RESOLUTION #2018-3 (JCAP Grant)

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Fabius hereby authorizes the making of a grant application on behalf of its Justice Court to the Justice Court Assistance Program.

OLD BUSINESS:

Swim Program: Mr. Chartrand stopped down to the swim area and said there were about 30 children and they were having the time of their lives. The program is doing a free swim and it seems to be working well.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Mr. Howard Schultz shared a complaint he has with his neighbor's National Grid line going to his private pole. Mrs. Vilardi explained that while the Board sympathizes with his situation, the Town has no jurisdiction over civil matters. He should contact a lawyer or National Grid directly.

Motion by Mrs. Foster, seconded by Mr. Schlicht, to pay the bills on Abstract #6 in the following amounts:

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| Highway Fund | Vouchers 66 through 79 \$ 19,897.69 |
| General Fund | Vouchers 153 through 172 \$ 33,422.81 |

Motion PASSED – Ayes – 5, Nays – 0. Voting aye – Vilardi, Conway, Schlicht, Foster, Brown.

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The next regular Town Board meeting will be held on **Monday, August 20, 2018** at the Fabius Area Community Center, Fabius, New York at 7:00 PM.

Motion to adjourn at 7:28 PM made by Mrs. Foster, seconded by Mr. Schlicht. Motion PASSED – Ayes – 5, Nays – 0. Voting aye – Vilardi, Conway, Schlicht, Foster, Brown.

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret M. Riker
Town Clerk