

**Minutes of the PUBLIC HEARING and  
Regular Monthly Meeting  
of the  
Town Board of the Town of Fabius**

Wednesday, July 20, 2022

**Present:**

Mrs. Melanie Vilardi – Supervisor  
Mr. James Conway – Councilmember  
Mr. Peter Schlicht – Councilmember  
Mrs. Deborah Foster – Councilmember  
Mr. Paul Brown – Councilmember (*Absent*)  
Mr. Michael Decker – Zoning/Codes Officer (*Absent*)

*Others: Martin Schmidt - C.T. Male Associates; Zack Lissard – U.S. Light Energy*

Mr. Warren Virgil – Highway Supervisor  
Mrs. Peggy Riker – Town Clerk  
Mr. Thomas Chartrand – Bookkeeper  
Mr. Robert DeMore – Attorney for Town  
Ms. Sandy Beglinger – Historical Society

**PUBLIC HEARING:**

Motion by Mrs. Vilardi, seconded by Mrs. Foster, to open the Public Hearing at 5:30 PM. Motion PASSED – Ayes – 4, Nays – 0. Voting aye – Vilardi, Conway, Schlicht, Foster.

Mr. Schmidt and Mr. Lissard gave another presentation for the public. It will be a 25 year lease with the landowner, Woodford, with two 5-year options. Mr. DeMore reported that it has been referred to County Planning, was reviewed by the Town Planning Board and the Town's engineer and the SEQR was completed on June 22<sup>nd</sup>. Motion to close the Public Hearing by Mrs. Vilardi, seconded by Mr. Conway. Motion PASSED – Ayes – 4, Nays – 0. Voting aye – Vilardi, Conway, Schlicht, Foster.

Motion to approve the Solar Overlay District as presented by U.S. Light Energy. Motion PASSED – Ayes – 4, Nays – 0. Voting aye – Vilardi, Conway, Schlicht, Foster.

The Regular meeting was called to order by Mrs. Vilardi at 6:05 PM.

Motion by Mrs. Foster, seconded by Mr. Conway, to approve the minutes of the last meeting. Motion PASSED – Ayes – 4, Nays – 0. Voting aye – Vilardi, Conway, Schlicht, Foster.

**FINANCIAL REPORT:**

- Not a great month...court fines are slow. Snow and Ice came in as expected and interest on all funds is positive.
- NYCLASS is down to 1.058%. Mortgage tax came in at \$22,000.
- General spending is at 42% and revenue is at 97%. Highway spending is at 26% and revenue is at 89%.
- There is one budget transfer from Contractual (\$700) to Contractual Insurance (\$300) and to Workers' Compensation (\$400). Motion by Mrs. Foster, seconded by Mr. Conway, to approve these budget transfers. Motion PASSED – Ayes – 4, Nays – 0. Voting aye – Vilardi, Conway, Schlicht, Foster.

**HIGHWAY REPORT:**

- Mr. Virgil received the new AED machine. He requested approval of attendance at the fall conference in Endicott at a cost of \$625. Motion by Mr. Schlicht, seconded by Mr. Conway, to approve attendance of the Highway Superintendant at the fall conference. Motion PASSED – Ayes – 4, Nays – 0. Voting aye – Vilardi, Conway, Schlicht, Foster.

**ZONING REPORT:** • No report.

**HISTORIAN:**

- Mr. Schlicht attended a meeting at the Tully Library, which is in need of donations.

**HISTORICAL:**

- There have been 47 visitors to the Pioneer Museum over the last four weekends.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

***Tree Removal:*** Mrs. Foster reported a dead tree on South Street near Donna Coty's home. We have \$2,000 in the budget for removal and/or tree planting. Mr. Virgil will ask Tom Murfitt to remove it. We will get new trees from Cornell Coop. Also, speed limit signs are down on South Street.

***Apulia Firehouse Request:*** They would like to build a patio in the back of the firehouse and are requesting help with the funding. They estimate about 25 tons of runner crush and 5 tons of concrete sand will be required. Motion by Mr. Conway, seconded by Mrs. Foster, to approve up to \$3000 for the purchase of runner crush and sand. Motion PASSED – Ayes – 4, Nays – 0. Voting aye – Vilardi, Conway, Schlicht, Foster.

***Arlington Acres Permit:*** Motion by Mrs. Foster, seconded by Mr. Conway, to hold a public hearing on August 15<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 PM for a Special Use Permit. Motion PASSED – Ayes – 4, Nays – 0. Voting aye – Vilardi, Conway, Schlicht, Foster.

***Local Law #5 of 2022*** – A motion was made by Mrs. Foster, seconded by Mr. Conway, to hold a public hearing on August 15<sup>th</sup> at 5:45 PM to review proposed Local Law #5 of 2022 the purpose of which is to abolish the Planning Board. Motion PASSED – Ayes – 4, Nays – 0. Voting aye – Vilardi, Conway, Schlicht, Foster.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

***Fabius Evergreen Cemetery:*** Ms. Beglinger reported their current bank balance is \$5,421.09.

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

Highway Fund	Vouchers 59 through 77
	\$ 237,717.34
General Fund	Vouchers 146 through 176
	\$ 37,013.04

Motion PASSED – Ayes – 4, Nays – 0. Voting aye – Vilardi, Conway, Schlicht, Foster.

The next regular Town Board meeting will be held on **Monday, August 15, 2022**, at the Fabius Area Community Center, Fabius, New York, immediately following two Public Hearings starting at 5:30 PM.

Motion to adjourn at 6:25 PM made by Mrs. Foster, seconded by Mr. Schlicht. Motion PASSED – Ayes – 4, Nays – 0. Voting aye – Vilardi, Conway, Schlicht, Foster.

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret M. Riker  
Town Clerk