

Monthly Meeting Minutes Town Board of the Town of Fabius

Monday, October 21, 2024

Present:

Mr. Michael Vilardi – Supervisor	Mr. Dennis Bobbette – Highway Supervisor
Mr. Craig Powers – Councilmember (<i>Absent</i>)	Mrs. Peggy Riker – Town Clerk
Mr. Peter Schlicht – Councilmember	Mr. Thomas Chartrand – Bookkeeper
Mrs. Deborah Foster – Councilmember (<i>Absent</i>)	Mr. Tim Bearup – Zoning/Codes Officer (<i>Absent</i>)
Mr. Paul Brown – Councilmember	Mr. Robert DeMore – Attorney for Town (<i>Absent</i>)

Mr. Vilardi lead in the Pledge of Allegiance and called to order the regular meeting at 5:30 PM.

Motion by Mr. Schlicht, seconded by Mr. Vilardi, to approve the minutes of the last meeting. Motion PASSED – Ayes – 3, Nays – 0. Voting aye – Vilardi, Schlicht, Brown.

FINANCIAL REPORT

- * NYCLASS is at 4.8% and NBT is at 4.7%.
- * AIM is consistent – has not changed in 10+ years.
- * Franchise fees picked up slightly.
- * We received the developer deposit from Dimension Energy for Berry Road solar project.
- * We received \$2,800 from Solitude Solar for legal review of Route 80 solar project.
- * CHiPS and PaveNY money came in as expected.
- * There is a plow blade grant Mr. Bobbette has become aware of and will investigate.
- * General spending is at 64% and revenue is at 102+%. Highway spending is at 54% and revenue is at 119%.
- * Motion by Mr. Brown, seconded by Mr. Schlicht, to accept the financial report. Motion PASSED – Ayes – 3, Nays – 0. Voting aye – Vilardi, Schlicht, Brown.
- * Motion by Mr. Schlicht, seconded by Mr. Brown to accept the bank reconciliation. Motion PASSED – Ayes – 3, Nays -0. Voting aye – Vilardi, Schlicht, Brown.

ZONING REPORT

Mr. Vilardi reported Mr. Bearup is keeping very busy with building permits and variances.

HIGHWAY REPORT

- * Mr. Bobbette received two fuel reimbursement checks from the fire district for \$207.14 and \$81.12. He also received one from the school district for \$523.59.
- * Trucks, sand and salt are all ready for the upcoming winter.
- * If we are going to order the new 2026 Volvo plow truck, we should send a letter of intent to Beam Mack as soon as possible to hold our manufacture spot, which is filling up fast. If we do it now, we should have a build slot for early 2026. The cost will be \$179,065.46. Motion by Mr. Schlicht, seconded by Mr. Brown, to authorize the Town Clerk to prepare a letter of intent to Beam Mack and to secure a building slot subject to completion of plow accessories and equipment on state contract #10914. Motion PASSED – Ayes – 3, Nays -0. Voting aye – Vilardi, Schlicht, Brown.

HISTORIAN

No report.

FABIUS EVERGREEN CEMETERY

Ms. Beglinger reported their current bank balance is \$18,388.52.

Public Comment

A resident asked about the new winter hours at the Town Hall, which are still Wednesday evenings but changed to 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM from October through February. There was also a discussion about when the agenda and the minutes are posted. The agenda should be posted at least 24 hours prior to the meeting, but generally is available the week before. A draft of the minutes of the Town Board are available from the Town Clerk two weeks after the meeting. The official Minutes are posted after the Town Board has reviewed and acknowledged receipt of the Minutes (typically one month after the meeting).

NEW BUSINESS

2025 Budget: We will hold the public hearing to move the budget from Tentative to Preliminary on November 6, 2024 at 5:30 PM.

OLD BUSINESS

Grant funds for Highway: Mr. Bobbette met with the engineers. They are planning to put a new roof and a 25' x 25' addition on the garage. This will include a new bathroom, breakroom and a new overhead door.

Motion by Mr. Brown, seconded by Mr. Schlicht, to pay the bills on Abstract #9 in the following amounts:

Highway Fund		Vouchers 76 through 84
	\$ 20,981.34	
General Fund		Vouchers 183 through 196
	\$ 20,365.56	

Motion PASSED – Ayes – 3, Nays – 0. Voting aye – Vilardi, Schlicht, Brown.

The next regular Town Board meeting will be held on **Monday, November 18, 2024**, at the Fabius Area Community Center, Fabius, New York at **5:30 P.M.**

Motion to adjourn at 5:54 PM made by Mr. Schlicht, seconded by Mr. Brown. Motion PASSED – Ayes – 3, Nays – 0. Voting aye – Vilardi, Schlicht, Brown.

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret M. Riker
Town Clerk